Greene County District Library (Ohio)
0 53 85 0497717 3

THE HERITAGE COLLECTION

HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY

FROM UNIGRAPHIC

Greene Co. Room 974.8 Butler
1m
Brown, Robert C.,

History of Butler County,
Pennsylvania. v.2 1979

Ada Layton Lewis
1606 West North Street
Springfield, OH 45504

GREENE COUNTY ROOM
GREENE COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY
P. O. BOX 540
XENIA, OHIO 45385

Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2025

https://archive.org/details/historyofbutlerc0000vari

HISTORY

—OF—

BUTLER COUNTY,

PENNSYLVANIA.

EMBRACING

ITS PHYSICAL FEATURES; ABORIGINES AND EXPLORERS; PUBLIC LANDS AND SURVEYS; PIONEERS; EARLY SETTLEMENT AND SUBSEQUENT GROWTH; ORGANIZATION AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATION; POLITICAL AFFAIRS; THE LEGAL AND MEDICAL PROFESSIONS; THE PRESS; SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL LAWS; INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS; AGRICULTURE; THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE; MILITARY HISTORY; THE BUTLER OIL AND GAS FIELDS; SKETCHES OF BOROUGHS, TOWNSHIPS AND VILLAGES; RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL AND MATERIAL PROGRESS; BIOGRAPHIES AND PORTRAITS OF PIONEERS AND REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS, ETC., ETC.

VOLUME II

ILLUSTRATED.

R. C. BROWN & CO., PUBLISHERS.
1895.

A Reproduction by
UNIGRAPHIC, INC.
1401 North Fares Avenue
Evansville, Indiana 47711
nineteen hundred and seventy-nine

CHAPTER LXIX.

ALLEGHENY TOWNSHIP.

Organization—Population—Pioneers—Early Business Ventures—A Hunting Reminiscence—Schools, Teachers and Justices of the Peace—Churches and Cemeteries—Villages..... 670–674

CHAPTER LXX.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Borough of Butler.....674–831

CHAPTER LXXI.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Butler, Summit, Clearfield, Winfield and Buffalo Townships—Jefferson Township and Saxonburg Borough—Clinton, Penn and Middlesex Townships.....831–944

CHAPTER LXXII.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Donegal Township and Millerstown Borough—Fairview Township and Karns City, Fairview and Petrolia Boroughs — Oakland and Concord Townships — Clay Township and West Sunbury Borough—Centre Township.....945–1083

CHAPTER LXXIII.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Zelienople, Harmony and Evans City Boroughs—Jackson, Forward, Adams, Cranberry, Connoquenessing and Lancaster Townships.....1083–1203

CHAPTER LXXIV.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Slippery Rock Township and Centreville Borough—Mercer Township and Harrisville Borough—Worth and Brady Townships—Franklin Township and Prospect Borough—Muddy Creek Township and Portersville Borough.....1203–1281

CHAPTER LXXV.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Cherry, Washington, Marion, Venango, Parker and Allegheny Townships....1281–1331

Index.....1333–1360

Map of Butler County.....17

CHAPTER LXX.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Borough of Butler.

Hon. Walter Lowrie was one of the most distinguished sons of Butler county, and none of her citizens has ever attained greater eminence or labored in a broader field. He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, December 10, 1784, and came to the United States with his parents, John and Catherine (Cameron) Lowrie, in 1792. The family settled in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, whence they removed to what is now Allegheny township, Butler county, in 1797. Here his parents spent the remaining years of their lives, his mother dying in 1837 and his father in 1840. Their children were as follows: Matthew B., who removed to Pittsburg, became quite a prominent man of that city, and served as mayor several terms; Walter; John L.; Ann, who married Andrew Porter; Elizabeth, who first married John Stevens, and after his death Robert S. Whann; Jane, who became the wife of William Porterfield, and Catherine, who married Andrew McCaslin. John Lowrie, Sr., owned a farm and a grist and saw mill, and was one of the prosperous citizens of the county. He was among the founders of Scrubgrass Presbyterian church in Venango county, and a man of sturdy character, excellent moral traits and high mental qualities. After clearing up and living upon his farm for about forty years, he there died, and is buried in Scrubgrass Presbyterian cemetery.

The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, and his primary education consisted of an occasional term at a subscription school and home instruction of winter nights. His parents being devout Presbyterians, Walter was carefully trained in that faith, and at an early age entered upon a course of study with the ministry in view, and pursued the Latin, Greek and Hebrew languages under Rev. John McPherrin In 1807 he came to Butler to engage in teaching, was soon after appointed clerk in the commissioner's office, was later elected a member of the board, and also filled the office of justice of the peace, thus commencing a public career that lasted continuously for nearly thirty years. In the meantime himself and brother, Matthew B., opened a store in Butler, but his public duties gave him little opportunity to devote to

the business, which was conducted principally by clerks. In 1811 he was elected on the Democratic ticket to the legislature, and the following year to the State Senate. He was re-elected to the latter, and served in that body seven years. In 1818, while still a member of the State Senate, he was elected to the United States Senate, and served in that body with ability and distinction for six years. This period was one of great interest in the history of our country. Such distinguished men as Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Randolph and Benton were members of the Senate, and among those eminent statesmen Walter Lowrie occupied a position of honorable prominence. His stanch integrity won their confidence, while his practical judgment led them to seek his advice and rely upon his opinions. He was regarded by the senators who knew him best as an authority upon all questions of political history and constitutional law. During the discussion of the celebrated Missouri Compromise, he made a speech of great power and force of argument, in which he took strong grounds against the extension of slavery, and uttered a vigorous protest against the establishment of slave labor upon a single foot of free territory. His influence in the Senate was not only that of a statesman, but also of a christian. He was one of the founders of the Congressional Prayer Meeting, as well as of the Congressional Temperance Society. For a long time he was a member of the executive committee of the American Colonization Society, also of the Senate committee on Indian affairs. At the expiration of his senatorial term, in March, 1825, he was elected secretary of the Senate, an office he held for twelve years, resigning it in 1836 to become secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, which, under his vigorous and sagacious policy, was built up from an obscure institution to its subsequent importance and prosperity. He brought to his new field of action the same strength of mind and earnestness of purpose that had characterized his previous career, and became the efficient head of a great missionary work. His labors only terminated with his death, which occurred in New York City, December 14, 1868.

Senator Lowrie was twice married. His first marriage occurred in 1808, to Amelia McPherrin, a daughter of Rev. John McPherrin, his preceptor, and one of the founders of Presbyterianism in Butler county. She died in 1832, and he afterwards married Mary K. Childs. The children of his first marriage were as follows: John C.; Matthew S., an early member of the Butler bar; Mary, who married Samuel Baird, a merchant of Pittsburg; Eliza; Walter M.; Jonathan Roberts, a well remembered attorney of Hollidaysburg; Reuben P., and Henry M., all of whom are dead except the eldest. John C., Walter M., and Reuben P., became zealous missionaries of the Presbyterian church. Reuben P. fell a victim to overwork in the enervating climate of China, and Walter M. was murdered by Chinese pirates, August 19, 1847. Rev. John C. Lowrie, D. D., the only survivor of the family, spent two years on missionary work in India, then returned to New York and was appointed assistant to his father in the office of the Board of Foreign Missions. On the death of the latter he succeeded him as secretary, which position he has filled continuously for the past twenty-eight years. In resigning the secretaryship of the United States Senate, and accepting that of the Board of Foreign Missions, Senator Lowrie exhibited a rare example of obe-

dience to the dictates of duty. He relinquished a home surrounded by every comfort, a position of ease and large emolument, the society of a wide circle of eminent men, with whom he was on terms of the closest intimacy, for a life in humble quarters, in a city with which he was unfamiliar and to assume an arduous position, the remuneration of which was scarcely sufficient to sustain him. Notwithstanding his many and varied talents, he was a modest and unassuming gentleman, whose public career was marked by the same rigid morals and principles that guided his private life.

Charles Sullivan was a grandson of Peter O. Sullivan, who came from Ireland and located in Northumberland county, Virginia, about the year 1700. Charles was born in Virginia, March 27, 1760, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and made the acquaintance of Susannah Johnston, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret Johnston, of Chester county, Pennsylvania, who afterward became his wife, while he was serving under Washington during that memorable winter at Valley Forge. They were married in Chester county in 1785, and soon after moved to Allegheny county, settling a few miles from Pittsburg, but subsequently removed to the vicinity of Noblestown. In 1797 he came with his family, consisting of a wife and six children, to Butler county, and settled in what is now Franklin township, where he developed a large and valuable farm. He died January 12, 1813, at the age of fifty-three, leaving a widow and eleven children. The six oldest were born in Allegheny county, and the remaining five in Butler county. Their names are as follows: Moses, Aaron, Thomas, John, James, Margaret, who married William Stewart, of Butler, and died May 20, 1884, leaving two daughters; Jemima, who married John McCandless, of Centre township, reared a large family, and died in Butler in September, 1881; Elizabeth, who married Edward White, of Whitestown, had eight children by this union, six of whom are living, and some years after Mr. White's death married William C. Martin, and died in 1876; William, Charles Craven, and Susannah, who married Rev. H. Bradshaw, a Methodist Episcopal minister, removed to Iowa, and died there many years ago. The best tribute that can be paid to the memory of Charles Sullivan and wife is, that the training in the family circle was such, that no stain of dishonor has ever rested upon any of their children.

Moses Sullivan, eldest in the family of Charles Sullivan, was born in Allegheny county, October 9, 1786, came to Butler county with the family in 1797, availed himself of all the means within his reach to secure an education, and became a scholarly man. With his brother John he established the Butler *Centinel* in 1820, represented Butler county in both branches of the General Assembly for many years, and was president of the state board of canal commissioners under Governor Ritner's administration. He was a modest, unassuming and popular gentleman, and the people often expressed their confidence in him. He married Susan Mitchell, of Harrisburg, who became the mother of three children. Their eldest son, Lieut. Aaron Sullivan, of the Pennsylvania Cavalry, a bright young lawyer, laid down his life in the War of the Rebellion in defense of his country. Moses Sullivan died May 21, 1839.

Aaron Sullivan was born in Allegheny county, September 4, 1788, mar-

ried a Miss Wendt, and reared a large family. He was successfully engaged in the manufacture of glass at Birmingham, Allegheny county, being one of the pioneers in this business, with which he was closely associated until his death, about 1830.

THOMAS SULLIVAN was born in Allegheny county, February 26, 1791, and led a quiet home life on and near the old paternal farm, and in Prospect, Butler county. Of a most genial disposition, he was a favorite in the circle of his acquaintance. He married a Miss Jones, reared a large family, and died in Prospect nearly half a century ago. He enjoyed the confidence of his neighbors, and held the office of justice of the peace many years.

JOHN SULLIVAN was born in Allegheny county, June 19, 1793, and removed with the family to Butler county when about four years old. In addition to a common school education, he was greatly aided by his mother and oldest brother in becoming proficient in the elementary branches of learning. He wrote a fair hand, was a good mathematician, and an expert accountant. He served with his three elder brothers in the War of 1812, in Capt. Robert Martin's Company. After his return he taught school in the neighborhood, and finally entered the store of Walter Lowrie, in Butler, in 1818, having been called to take charge of the business during Mr. Lowrie's absence as United States Senator. In 1820, in connection with his brother Moses, he established the Butler *Centinel*, and continued in connection with that paper until 1824. He served as treasurer of Butler county in 1825–26, and in 1827 opened a store in the brick building which he had previously erected on the northwest corner of the Diamond, where he conducted a mercantile business until 1831. In that year he purchased a large tract of unimproved land, located about a mile northwest of Butler, and expended much labor and money in improving and developing it into a farm, involving extensive clearing, the erection of a home and tenant buildings, a commodious barn, a mill with a very expensive stone dam, necessary road making and other improvements. In 1836 he was appointed prothonotary and clerk of the several courts of Butler county, serving until 1839, and at different periods in his life he filled other important public trusts. The strain in developing the farm left him with broken health, from which he never fully recovered. In 1843 he returned with his family to Butler, and died at his home in that borough, November 2, 1854. Mr. Sullivan was married in 1821, to Miss Mary McPherrin, youngest daughter of Rev. John McPherrin, a pioneer minister of the Presbyterian church. They had four children. Charles and Amelia died in infancy; the other two, John M., and Mary E., are residents of Butler. Mr. Sullivan was a Whig, in politics, and a Presbyterian in religious faith, and for many years a trustee of the Presbyterian church, of Butler. He was always loyally devoted to the interests of the county, and in his day his name is found among the foremost in pressing forward public improvements. His enterprise was manifested in the erection of buildings in different parts of the town, his enlistment as an active manager in turnpike companies, and his aid in the establishment and support of schools before the existence of our present school system. Amidst the cares of a busy life he was never forgetful of the supreme importance of education. In his youth and early manhood he had cultivated a taste for the best authors in prose and

poetry, and his little library was well stored with their works. He was an enterprising, generous and liberal citizen, of a cheerful and hopeful temper, social in disposition, exemplary in all the relations of life, outspoken in his convictions, fearless in maintaining the right, and a good representative of the worthy band of pioneers who laid the foundations of Butler's prosperity.

JAMES SULLIVAN was born in Allegheny county, March 8, 1795, and became the possessor of the old homestead in Franklin township. He was a prosperous farmer and for a short time a merchant. He married Dorcas McGowan, to whom were born three children, two sons and one daughter. One of the sons is a lawyer in Pittsburg, the other a merchant in Beaver Falls, and the daughter is the wife of Dr. Richardson, of Prospect. Mr. Sullivan died many years since.

WILLIAM SULLIVAN was born on the old homestead in Butler county, December 5, 1804. He was for some years associated with his brother Aaron in the glass business at Birmingham. After his brother's death, he pursued the same business at Wheeling, West Virginia, for a while, then returned to Butler county, and lived for several years on a farm. He finally removed to New Albany, Indiana, where he resided until his death, successfully engaged in the mercantile business. His widow and a daughter are residents of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES CRAVEN SULLIVAN was born at the old country home, in Butler county, March 10, 1807, graduated at Jefferson College in 1828, studied law in Butler with Gen. William Ayres, was admitted to practice in 1831, and for thirty years was one of the most distinguished and successful members of the Butler bar. He served six years in the State Senate, was a recognized leader in that body in all matters of State reform, and there is a law on the statute book regarding the morality of our people, better known to lawyers as "the Sullivan Law," which has received the unqualified approval of all good citizens. He was the leader in the movement to secure railroad communication to Butler, and was president of the North Western Railrod Company, the first organization looking to that end. Mr. Sullivan was a Whig in politics, and later a Republican, and a Presbyterian in religious faith. In 1846 he married a Miss Seltzer, of Lebanon county. They had five children, two sons and three daughters, who, with the widow, are still living. Both the sons are lawyers, one practicing in Pittsburg and the other in Bradford. Mr. Sullivan died February 27, 1860.

COL. JOHN MCPHERRIN SULLIVAN, son of John and Mary (McPherrin) Sullivan, was born in the borough of Butler August 9, 1822. At that date his father was one of the proprietors and publishers of the Butler *Centinel*, was afterwards a merchant in Butler, then a farmer, and filled the offices of county treasurer and prothonotary. His paternal grandfather, Charles Sullivan, a soldier of the Revolution, settled in what is now Franklin township in 1797, while his maternal grandfather, Rev. John McPherrin, settled on a farm in what is now Clay township in 1805. Mr. McPherrin was the first settled minister of any denomination in Butler county, and had two daughters, one of whom married Walter Lowrie, and the other John Sullivan. The subject of this sketch received his primary education in the old stone academy of Butler, under the tuition,

severally, of Rev. John W. Scott, D. D., Rev. Douthett, Alexander Shirran and Rev. Loyal Young, D. D., and entered Jefferson College in November, 1838. He graduated at that institution on September 28, 1843, in a class of forty-seven, representing thirteen states, with an award from the faculty of one of the first honors of the class, and was assigned to deliver the valedictory. Among his well-known classmates were Rev. Dr. James Matthews, of San Francisco; Hon. A. W. Hendricks, of Indianapolis; Hon. Richard T. Merrick, of Washington; Hon. John P. Penney and Gen. J. B. Switzer, of Pittsburg, and Rev. Dr. E. E. Swift, of Allegheny.

Immediately after leaving college he entered the law office of Hon. Samuel A. Gilmore, of Butler, and was admitted to practice December 9, 1845. A few months later he formed a law partnership with Hon. Samuel A. Purviance, of Butler, which continued until January 1, 1855. The winters of 1845 and 1846 were spent at Harrisburg, as a legislative correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, Philadelphia *Enquirer*, and Pittsburg *Commercial*. He served as assistant clerk of the Senate of Pennsylvania in 1847, 1848, 1849 and 1850, and as chief clerk in 1852 and 1853. His last election was a unanimous one, every member of the Senate being present and voting for him, while a unanimous vote of thanks was recorded at the close of his term. This was all the more gratifying to him as the Senate at that time was nearly equally divided in politics.

In January, 1855, Colonel Sullivan became deputy secretary of the Commonwealth under the administration of Governor Pollock, Andrew G. Curtin being secretary of the Commonwealth. At the close of Governor Pollock's administration, in January, 1858, Colonel Sullivan was appointed deputy superintendent of common schools, and held that office until July, 1860, when he resigned to assume the duties of secretary of the Republican State Committee in the memorable campaign of that year, which resulted in the election of Abraham Lincoln to the presidency. After the presidential election he returned to his home in Butler, where he remained until July, 1861, when he received an invitation from Hon. Simon Cameron, secretary of war, urging him to come immediately to Washington, and render assistance in the rapidly accumulating work of the war department. This summons was at once obeyed, and from that date until April 1, 1867, Colonel Sullivan held the position of chief corresponding clerk in the office of the quartermaster-general of the army. These were nearly six years of very arduous labor. Over thirty letter-press volumes in the files of the war department, bearing the impress of his handwriting, remain as witnesses of his official work. These duties were supplemented during the war by unremitting services for the soldiers of Butler county in the field, camp and hospital, and for their friends at home, who with anxious hearts made him the medium to aid them in planning and executing their kind ministries. The patriotic people of his native county owe him a debt of gratitude for his noble services in thus aiding her brave boys who went out in defence of the flag. During his residence in Washington he was secretary of the Pennsylvania Soldiers' Relief Association, and also of the Pennsylvania Republican Association.

In March, 1867, Hon. Thomas Williams, member of Congress from this district, and Hons. Simon Cameron and Charles R. Buckalew, United States Sena-

tors from Pennsylvania, without any knowledge or solicitation on the part of Colonel Sullivan, united in asking President Johnson, to appoint him collector of internal revenue for the Twenty-third district, an office which had been vacant for several months, owing to the inability to secure an agreement between the President and Senate, then of opposite politics, as to a nominee. The appointment was made and unanimously confirmed by the Senate, and Colonel Sullivan immediately resigned his position in the war department to enter upon his new duties as collector in Allegheny. He held the collectorship from May 1, 1867, to July 1, 1882, excepting a few months, interval, from July, 1869, to April, 1870. On July 1, 1882, he turned over the collectorship to his succcssor, and before the close of that month he received from the commissioner of internal revenue a certificate that all his accounts were satisfactorily closed, every cent of over $7,000,000 of public money that had passed through his hands having been faithfully accounted for.

Soon after retiring from the collectorship, Colonel Sullivan, from inclination as well as filial and fraternal duty, returned to his old home in Butler. His venerated mother died May 4, 1888, in her eighty-eighth year, and with his sister, Miss Mary E. Sullivan, he has since occupied the old residence, which has been the family home for more than fifty years. Since his return to Butler he has not resumed professional life, but is ever ready to assist all worthy enterprises and to aid in every good work. He retains unabated interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the surviving soldiers, and was one of the leading spirits in organizing the movement that culminated in the erection of the handsome monument in Butler, to the memory of "Our Silent Defenders." A descendant of two leading pioneers families of Butler county, he has given close attention to the preservation of local history, is one of the best living authorities on pioneer reminiscences, and has rendered valuable assistance in furnishing data in the compilation of this volume. The title of Colonel, usually applied to him, was not acquired from military service, but followed commissions from Governors Johnston and Pollock, who each assigned him to a position on the staff of the Governor as aide, with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Colonel Sullivan was married June 10, 1873, to Miss Mary S., eldest daughter of Hon. Daniel Agnew, late chief justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and was called to experience the sad bereavement of her death, December 14, 1874. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been the teacher of a men's bible class in that church since February 5, 1888, which at present has an enrolled membership of fifty. In justice to him it may be said that no man in the community has won and retained to a greater degree the confidence and esteem of the whole people. Always kind, courteous and affable, Colonel Sullivan is a fine specimen of that consistent manhood whose integrity is never questioned and whose charity is a part of his daily life.

Rev. John McPherrin was one of the founders of Presbyterianism in western Pennsylvania, the pioneer minister of that denomination in Butler county, and the first pastor of the Butler church. He was a native of what is now Adams county, Pennsylvania, born November 15, 1757, whence the family removed to Westmoreland county. His preparatory studies were pursued under

Very truly Yours,
John M. Sullivan

Rev. Robert Smith. D. D., of Pequea, Pennsylvania, and he graduated at Dickinson College in 1788. He studied theology under the direction of Rev. John Clark, of Allegheny county, and was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Redstone, August 20, 1789. On September 22, 1790, he was ordained by the same Presbytery, and installed pastor of the congregations of Salem and Unity, in Westmoreland county, where he remained until 1803. In the meantime, however, he had visited this portion of the State on a missionary tour, coming here in the summer of 1799 and preaching to a congregation under the spreading branches of a large tree that stood near the site of Concord Presbyterian church, in what is now Concord township, Butler county. Several of his audience requested him to name the embryo church, which he did, calling it "Concord," the title it has borne to the present day.

In 1803 Mr. McPherrin returned to this county and accepted calls from Concord and Muddy Creek churches, both of which he took charge of the same year. In 1805 he became a member of the Presbytery of Erie, and continued to minister to the congregations mentioned until 1813, when he resigned the Muddy Creek charge, having been installed pastor of the Butler church April 7, 1813, in connection with the church of Concord. It is also said he was pastor of Harmony church for several years. He remained pastor of Butler and Concord churches until his death, which occurred at Butler, February 10, 1822. Before coming to Butler county, Mr. McPherrin was married to Mary Stevenson, a daughter of John Stevenson of Washington county. His children were as follows: Amelia, who married Walter Lowrie; William; Samuel; John; Clark; Mary, who married John Sullivan; Ebenezer; Josiah, and Anderson. The following tribute to his memory is from the pen of Hon. Walter Lowrie, his son-in-law:

Mr. McPherrin did not write his sermons. He used very brief but comprehensive notes, which he placed in a small pocket bible. It is no easy matter to draw a faithful likeness of Mr. McPherrin's character and appearance. He was tall in person, his hair, when I first saw him, quite gray, and his whole appearance the most venerable of any man I have ever seen. Decision and energy were the leading traits of his character. He knew not the fear of man, though sometimes his firmness degenerated into obstinacy. His natural temper was warm; hypocrisy formed no part of his character, and his heart was the seat of friendship and goodwill to man. He possessed a strong mind and strong natural abilities. At Dickinson College, under the celebrated Dr. Nesbit, he had received a thorough education, and by his studious habits his mind was in a constant state of improvement. As a minister of the gospel, his zeal in his Master's cause never flagged, and a sincere desire to do good was his ruling passion through life. His eloquence was classically chaste, yet strong and nervous. His hearers were, in general, rather awed than charmed, more instructed than delighted, yet often did the tears of his audience flow before they were themselves aware of it. All his sermons were, in the highest degree, evangelical. Christ Jesus and Him crucified, was the burden of his message; and yet in every discourse he urged in the strongest manner the necessity of good works and a holy and christian walk, not as a means or ground of acceptance with God, but as an evidence of being in the right way.

Rev. Loyal Young, D. D., was pastor of the Presbyterian church of Butler for nearly thirty-five years, and his name is a familiar one in many of the homes in Butler county. He was a son of Robert and Lydia (Gould) Young, of Charlemont, Franklin county, Massachusetts, where he was born July 1, 1806. When

Loyal was five years old his parents removed to French Creek, Harrison county, Virginia. He obtained a good English education in the schools of that locality, entered Jefferson College in 1826, and graduated from that institution in the autumn of 1828. After teaching a private family school in Virginia one year, he entered the Western Theological Seminary, at Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, and was licensed to preach the gospel, by the Presbytery of Ohio, June 21, 1832. On the 25th of October following, he was married to Margaret P. Johnston, a daughter of Rev. Robert Johnston, the first pastor of the Scrubgrass Presbyterian church, Venango county, to which union were born seven sons and one daughter. Four of their sons, Robert J., Watson J., Torrence F., and James W., were soldiers in the Union army.

Mr. Young came to Butler county soon after he was licensed to preach, his first sermon in Butler being delivered August 29, 1832. The following summer he preached as a candidate, and was ordained and installed as the third pastor of the Butler congregation, by the Presbytery of Allegheny, December 4, 1833. For nearly thirty-five years he labored faithfully and assiduously in building up the church. During his ministry here he baptised about 800 children and adults, united in marriage over 200 couples, and nearly 450 persons were brought into the Butler church. He delivered his farewell sermon May 10, 1868, and the same month took charge of French Creek and Buckhannon churches, in West Virginia. He remained at French Creek eight years, and was then installed as pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Parkersburg, in the same State, which position he filled five years. His next charge was the Winfield, Point Pleasant and Pleasant Flats churches of West Virginia, which he ministered to from 1880 to 1885. He then removed to Washington, Pennsylvania, and became a supply for a few years. Here his wife died December 29, 1887, and soon after he returned to Butler, where he continued to follow the ministry up to within a few weeks of his death, which occurred October 11, 1890.

While pastor of the Butler church, in 1858, the degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by Washington College. Dr. Young was twice moderator of the Synod of Pittsburg, once of the Erie Synod, and represented the Presbytery at the General Assembly several times. He was also the author of the following works: "Commentary on the Book of Ecclesiastes," "Hidden Treasure," "Interviews with Inspired Men," "Communion," and "From Dawn to Dusk." A few weeks before his death he completed a commentary on the Book of Proverbs, which has not yet been published. To Dr. Young more than to any other man was due the establishment of Witherspoon Institute at Butler. He was the guiding spirit in calling the convention which brought that school into existence, in preparing the charter, in raising money, and placing the Institute on a solid foundation. He was its principal for quite a long period, and his name is closely interwoven with its early growth and progress. In a sermon delivered July 2, 1876, Rev. C. H. McClellan paid Dr. Young the following tribute:

A man bold in the defence of truth, vigorous and active in frame, and indefatigable in promoting the interests of Christ's cause, his life and work in Butler will be remembered long after he himself shall have passed from earth. No better testimony to his ability as a preacher and pastor can be found than the well taught and strongly organ-

ized church he left in this place; no better proof of the reality of his piety and good works than the readiness with which all classes, young and old, rich and poor, Protestant or Catholic, speak his praise. He was an Israelite indeed in whom there was no guile.

Rev. Isaiah Niblock, D. D., was one of the pioneer ministers of what is now known as the United Presbyterian church of Butler. He was a native of County Monaghan, Ireland, born in the year 1794, studied divinity under Rev. John Dick, D. D., professor of theology in the United Sessions church, Glasgow, Scotland, and was licensed to preach in 1817. The following year he immigrated to New York, and preached in Philadelphia in the autum of 1818. Soon after he crossed the Allegheny mountains on horseback, arriving in Pittsburg, December 20, 1818, where he was appointed to supply vacancies for three months in this section of the State. He arrived at Butler three days later, and preached in the court house on the last Sunday of the year. He continued to preach as a supply until April 23, 1819, when he received a call from the congregations of Butler and White Oak Springs, which he accepted, and after filling his previous engagements, was ordained and installed as their pastor by the Monongahela Associate Reformed Presbytery, and preached his first sermon as pastor of the Butler church on the third Sunday in May, 1819. This pastorate continued in an unbroken chain for more than forty-five years, or until his death in Butler, June 29, 1864, although he was unable to preach for nearly five months preceding that event. When Mr. Niblock became pastor of the Butler church it consisted of but one elder and nine communicants. Under his ministry there were added to the Butler, White Oak Springs and Union congregations about 1,100 members. He baptised about 2,000 children and adults, and united in marriage more than 200 couples. Dr. Niblock was married after coming to Butler, to Rachel Alexander, of Pittsburg, which union was blessed by six children, viz: Mary J.; James; Alexander; John, a United Presbyterian minister; Hugh; Mrs. Maria Zimmerman, and Harriet. The following tribute to his worth and character, written by one who knew him well, will give the reader a good idea of this pioneer missionary:

Dr. Niblock was a minister of modest disposition and retiring habits, not much known to the world, but beloved by all his fellow ministers who knew him, and much esteemed among his pastoral charge. Of him it might be said: He was a good minister of Jesus Christ--an able and faithful expositor of the Word of God. Among the first of our ministers who settled northwest of the Allegheny river, he lived to see the church and the country grow numerous and prosperous around him, and as the fruit of his own labors many added to the church "of such as should be saved." He loved the church of which he was minister, arduously and faithfully labored to maintain her principles and her purity, and the work of the Lord prospered in his hands. His life was one of self-denial, labor and usefulness, esteemed in the community and beloved in the church.

Rev. William White, D. D., the honored and respected rector of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church of Butler for half a century, is one of the few living pioneer ministers of his church in Pennsylvania. He is a native of Stewartstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, born March 18, 1811, and is thus in the eighty-fifth year of his age. He grew to manhood in his native land, came to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1832, and entered the Western University, graduating from that institution in 1834. In 1837 he graduated at the General Theologi-

cal Seminary of New York, was ordained a deacon by Bishop Onderdonk, in Christ church, Philadelphia, the same year, and was sent to take charge of the Freeport and Butler congregations. In 1838 he was ordained a priest by the same bishop, and remained in charge of both churches mentioned until 1842, when he gave up the Freeport charge and confined his labors to Butler and vicinity. Dr. White was married October 7, 1840, to Mary Bredin, a daughter of James Bredin, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, to whom have been born six children, as follows: Annie; Isabella; Thomas, an Episcopal minister of East Albany, New York; George R., attorney at law of Butler; James B., deceased, and William, a consulting engineer of Pittsburg. For several years Dr. White combined with his parochial duties those of a teacher in the old Butler Academy, and many of the leading men of western Pennsylvania look up to him with pride as their preceptor. He continued as pastor of the Butler congregation until 1877, when the infirmities of advancing age induced him to lay down the burden, although he still occasionally performed the offices of his sacred calling in the adjoining counties of Armstrong and Clarion. With the passing years this work also had to be abandoned, and now at the ripe age of eighty-four he confidently and patiently awaits the call to his eternal reward. For nearly sixty years his name has been closely associated with the religious and educational life of Butler county, and few of its citizens have won to a greater degree the unbounded love and confidence of the whole people than this venerable patriarch whose rare usefulness throughout that period is gladly acknowledged by all.

David Dougal was one of the best known citizens in Butler county throughout his long and eventful career, and his name is inseparably linked with its history for a period surpassing the allotted life of man. He was a native of Franklin county, Pennsylvania, born near Fannetsburg, September 23, 1778, the son of a Presbyterian minister. He obtained a good English education, and left home in early manhood, going to Huntingdon, where he clerked in the prothonotary's office. Here he studied the art of surveying, afterwards went to Pittsburg, and later to Kentucky, where he acquired a taste for adventure and free outdoor life. He next went to Detroit and acted as clerk in a trading post, meeting hundreds of Indians there, and subsequently spent some time among the Indian tribes of Ohio. These associations had a marked influence on his character that remained with him to the day of his death. He finally returned to Huntingdon, whence, about the year 1800, he came to Butler county. Upon the organization of this county he was appointed the first clerk of the board of county commissioners, and later served one term in that body. At the first sales of lots in Butler borough, Mr. Dougal proved his faith in the new county seat by purchasing several lots, some which he owned until he died. He was one of the pioneer merchants of the town for a short time, but soon abandoned merchandising to pursue the more congenial vocation of a surveyor, which profession he followed until the infirmities of old age compelled him to retire from active life. He loved nothing so well as to roam through the primitive forest, running lines, establishing corners and blazing trees to mark boundaries. He did the greater part of the early surveying in this county, and his wonderful memory retained in old age the most precise and exact knowledge of lines and sur-

veys made by himself during the first years of the county's history. He was recognized by courts and lawyers as a high and almost infallable authority on such matters.

Mr. Dougal was the agent of Stephen Lowrey, and later of his daughter, Mrs. Sarah Collins, who inherited a large portion of her father's lands in this county, and he continued in this capacity for the heirs of Mrs. Collins until his retirement from active business. This responsible position afforded him the opportunity of acquiring property, and he became quite an extensive land owner. Scrupulously honest in all his dealings; correct and careful in his business habits; possessing an extensive and valuable fund of general information, fine conversational abilities and remarkable mental power, he commanded the respect of the best people of the community. There were few branches of scientific lore in which he was not well versed. In pleasant weather Mr. Dougal would sit in front of his modest home on South Main street and converse with those who chose to listen or be entertained. His manner of speech was calm, deliberate and dignified, and his subjects were history, political economy, geography, geology, topography, climate and astronomy. He possessed an extensive and accurate knowledge of the last mentioned science, and was always happy when gazing at the starry firmament or discoursing upon its wondrous beauty and grandeur. His store of local history, too, embraced the minutest details of the annals of Butler county from its erection until the year of his death

With all these advantages he was, nevertheless, a peculiar and eccentric character, and is principally remembered by the present generation because of manner in which he lived. Though he possessed plenty of this world's goods, and might have enjoyed the usual comforts of life, he refused to improve his property, and persisted in living in one of the smallest and plainest of the frame buildings in Dougal's row until he removed to his farm in Summit township, a few years prior to his death. Surrounded by rubbish of all kinds, including his surveying instruments, maps, charts, books, etc., with a few broken chairs and a bed that defied description, he despised and discarded modern fashions and modes of living, and seemed to take a peculiar delight in the slovenly dress and unrestrained life of the rudest pioneer backwoodsman. Nevertheless, when occasion required, he would appear as a well-dressed gentlemen in refined society, and was thoroughly familiar with all the courtesies pertaining to it. Though he lived with the most rigid frugality, he was not a miser, but was generous, kind and charitable to the poor and needy. If his tenants could not pay their rents, he permitted them to remain or move away without molestation.

This gifted, strange and eccentric man never married, and died on his farm in Summit township, November 8, 1881, at the extraordinary age of 103 years, leaving much valuable property to relatives, and also to some friends who cared for him in his declining age. In appearance he was tall and erect in carriage, grave, serious and dignified in bearing, and remarkably independent in thought and action. Not only to the severe simplicity of his mode of living, but to the wonderful evenness of his temper, which he rarely suffered to be ruffled by any excitement, was largely due the uniformly good health he enjoyed throughout

his life and the great longevity he attained. Mr. Dougal was pre-eminently a peacemaker. His opportunities as a surveyor were always used to settle disputes and avoid litigation, and, as the natural result of this policy, he was often appealed to by disputants as final arbiter. In politics, he was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, and ever afterward a Republican. While he did not profess any particular religious faith nor attend church, he was a firm beliver in the fundamental principles of christianity, and had an utter contempt for the man who treated the forms of religion with levity. The leading minds of Butler county looked upon him not only as a learned man but a philosopher, and his name will be respected as long as a single one of those who knew him best is left to do justice to his memory.

Hon. John Negley was one of the first settlers of Butler, and was prominently identified with the history of the town and county for a period of seventy years. Born at Fort Ligonier, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, April 6, 1778, where his parents had taken temporary refuge from hostile Indians while *en route* westward from Bucks county, he grew to manhood at East Liberty, Allegheny county, to which place the family removed soon after his birth. In 1799 he visited the territory now embraced in Butler county, and made two trips through northwestern Pennsylvania before deciding on the place of his settlement. In the year 1800, soon after this county was erected, he located on the site of the present borough of Butler, finding employment as a miller in Cunningham's mill, which stood on the site of the Walter mill. In 1806 he purchased the mill property, with considerable land surrounding it, and later built an addition for a woolen mill and established a cabinet shop near by. Besides conducting these various enterprises successfully for nearly thirty years, he also dealt extensively in real estate and became a very large land owner. In 1832–33 he sunk a salt well, with the intention of manufacturing that commodity, which enterprise cost him about $8,000. He possessed much force of character, good executive ability and sound business principles, and his sterling worth was soon recognized by the people among whom he had cast his lot. He was the first treasurer of Butler county, was one of the early county commissioners, and in 1809 he was elected to the legislature. In 1817 he was appointed prothonotary of the county, and four years later he was again elected to the legislature and re-elected in 1822. He filled all of these positions in an able and efficient manner, alike creditable to himself and his constituents. He was a stanch Democrat until 1856, when he supported Fremont for President, and continued to affiliate with the Republican party the rest of his life.

Mr. Negley was a man of strong religious convictions and one of the founders of the Lutheran church in Butler. He was a member of the German Lutheran society and contributed liberally towards the erection of the old church building, as well as to all other churches erected in Butler during his lifetime. His generosity and benevolence found expression in various other channels beneficial to the community, while his enterprise and public spirit were manifested in many ways during his active business career. In 1816 Mr. Negley married Elizabeth Ann Patterson, who died in August, 1835. She was the mother of ten children, as follows: Mary B., widow of John G. Muntz; Elizabeth H., who

died in August, 1835; Susan A., widow of Col. Joseph P. Patterson; John H., one of the oldest members of the Butler bar; Felix C., of Pittsburg; Minerva, deceased wife of Samuel W. Haseltine; Ann McLean, deceased; James A., of Philadelphia; William C., who died in 1850, and Albert G., a resident of Chicago. Mr. Negley died August 11, 1870, in the ninety-third year of his age, and was buried in South cemetery, the land for which was donated by him in 1850 for burial purposes. Here a massive marble shaft, on which is inscribed a brief history of his life, marks the last resting place of this honored pioneer, one of the vanguard of that mighty army of civilization which laid the foundations of liberty and prosperity in western Pennsylvania.

Hon. John Henry Negley, attorney at law, was born near the old Negley mill, in the southern part of what is now the borough of Butler, February 7, 1823, son of John and Elizabeth Ann (Patterson) Negley, pioneers of the county. His boyhood days were passed in this village, and his primary education was obtained in the old Butler Academy. In the fall of 1841 he entered Washington College, at Washington, Pennsylvania, where he pursued his studies for three terms. Returning home in the spring of 1843, he commenced the study of law under Hon. John Bredin, and was admitted to the bar March 25, 1845. He at once began practice, and for fifty years he has continued in the duties thereof, being now one of the oldest members of the Butler county bar. In March, 1848, he was appointed deputy attorney general for this county, which he held about one year. In 1850 the office became elective, and he was the first district attorney elected in the county, filling that position the full term of three years. In 1855 he became proprietor and editor of the Democratic *Herald*, which he published until July, 1858, when he sold the office.

Mr. Negley was an adherent of the Democratic party until the exciting period preceding the war, when he became a Republican. In 1861 he was appointed enrolling officer for Butler county, an office established for the purpose of enrolling the names of those subject to draft, the duties of which covered a period of nearly a year. In 1862 he was a member of Capt. J. Gilmore Campbell's company of militia, which responded to the call of Governor Curtin to assist in repelling Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania. In October, 1863, Mr. Negley was elected, on the Republican ticket, to the legislature, and was twice re-elected, serving three years in that capacity. During his term of service he was largely instrumental in obtaining legislation that secured the first railroad completed in Butler county, extending from Freeport to Butler, now a part of the West Penn. In April, 1869, he purchased the Butler *Citizen*, which he edited and published until September, 1888, a period of nearly twenty years, a portion of which time his son was associated with him as publisher.

Mr. Negley was married July 8, 1847, to Miss Mary Harper, of Butler, to which union were born ten children, eight of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Elizabeth A. H., widow of Rev. L. H. Geshwind; William C., editor of the *Citizen;* John H., of Philadelphia; Joseph P., of Pittsburg; Mary Stella; Martin Luther, who was drowned in Chartiers creek, Allegheny county, in August, 1884; Felix C., and Edgar Hayes. Mr. Negley was born and reared a Lutheran, and since early manhood he has been prominently connected with the growth and

progress of the English Lutheran church of Butler, being to-day one of its oldest and most honored members.

Squire William Campbell was one of the first settlers in the borough of Butler. He was a son of Patrick and Eleanor Campbell, and was born April 27, 1772, in Franklin county, Pennsylvania. His father was a native of Scotland, who settled in Franklin county, but little of his early history is known to his descendants in this county. Patrick Campbell and wife died in the vicinity of Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, August 23, and October 23, 1795, respectively. Their children were: Samuel; David; Robert; Patrick; William, and Eleanor, who married a Mr. Stockton. Two of the sons were in the Revolutionary war, were captured by the British and died as prisoners on an English prison ship in New York harbor. The subject of this sketch grew to manhood in his native county, and there learned the carpenter's trade. In 1803 he came to Butler county for the purpose of selling a farm belonging to a friend, which was located in the northern part of the county, and on his way back remained at Butler, and purchased lot Number 57, at the first sale of lots in this borough, August 10, 1803, paying for the same forty-one dollars. On August 14, 1804, he purchased lot Number 7, for twenty-three dollars and fifty cents, and on August 16, 1804, he bought outlots 27 and 28, for $110.50. In the record of these sales he is named "Maj. William Campbell," because of his connection with the militia. The outlots contained five acres, and were situated where the West Penn depot now stands. It is believed by his grandsons that he took up his residence in Butler at the time he made his first purchase, built a log house upon his lot, opposite the present home of William Campbell, and engaged in carpenter work for the pioneers of the village, which business he followed a few years. He continued to live in this house until the brick residence, now occupied by his grandson, was built. William Campbell was a stanch Democrat, and a leader in his party in Butler county during pioneer days. In 1809 he was elected sheriff of the county, was appointed treasurer in 1813, elected commissioner in 1815, and prothontary in 1821. He served continuously as justice of the peace from 1813 to 1822, was elected a member of the first borough council in 1817, and served in that body at different periods for many years, being chief burgess in 1828. His official career was marked by good executive ability and sterling integrity. In 1835 he engaged in general merchandising, in partnership with his two sons, James G. and William, under the firm name of William Campbell & Sons. This firm existed until 1845, when Mr. Campbell retired from active business, and turned over his affairs to his sons. He was a life long member of the Presbyterian church of Butler, a charter member of that organization, and one of its first trustees, and gave liberally toward the support of the church. Mr. Campbell married Jane, a daughter of John Gilmore, of Washington county, Pennsylvania, and a sister of John Gilmore, an early and prominent lawyer of Butler. Four children were the fruits of this union, as follows: James G.; William; Eleanor, who married Robert Cunningham, and Margaret, who became the wife of B. R. Bradford, all of whom are dead. The parents both died in the old homestead at Butler, the father March 6, 1849, and his wife, May 2, 1835. Mr. Campbell possessed a fine presence, a

powerful physical development, and was a man well calculated to undergo the trials of pioneer life.

William Campbell, Sr., second son of William and Jane (Gilmore) Campbell, was born in the borough of Butler, January 18, 1813. His youth was passed in his native village, where he received a good common school education. His first employment was as clerk of the board of county commissioners. In 1835 he entered business with his father and brother, and in 1845 his father retired, leaving his sons in full control. They conducted the business successfully until 1852, when they closed out their stock. In that year they purchased the interest of John McCarnes in the foundry, in which they had owned a half interest since 1847, and established a store for the sale of the goods manufactured in this foundry and agricultural implements, which they supplied to the surrounding counties. They added a stock of general hardware in 1877. This store is still carried on by John S. and William Campbell under the old firm title, and is one of the oldest and most successful business institutions of Butler. Although practically retired from active life, because of the increasing infirmities of age, Mr. Campbell nevertheless took a deep interest in the business down to his death. He was one of the projectors, original stockholders and president of the Butler and Allegheny Plank Road Company, and took an active part in obtaining railroad facilities for Butler. He was also president and a director for many years of the Butler Mutual Fire Insurance Company. During the early oil days he was interested with H. J. Klingler and others in the development of that great industry. He was also one of the founders of the Butler Savings Bank, was president of that institution from February, 1877, to February, 1880, and again from January, 1886, to November, 1887, when he resigned the office. Always an earnest friend of education, he served on the school board for several years, and gave much time to the advancement of the public schools of Butler. Mr. Campbell united with the Presbyterian church in 1832, was elected a ruling elder in 1841, was superintendent of the Sunday school for many years, and was always ready to aid every religious enterprise. His work in the church was earnest and practical. He had the courage of his convictions, and on every moral question expressed them fearlessly. A life long Democrat, he gave an unswerving support to the principles of his party, but never sought public office. He was twice married; first, October 27, 1835. to Clarissa, a daughter of John Leslie Maxwell, a pioneer of Butler township. She died January 29, 1839, and March 31, 1841, he married Eliza J., daughter of John Shaw, of Glenshaw, Allegheny county. Their children were as follows: William, John S., James G., deceased, and Mary, wife of Joseph A. Herron. Mrs. Campbell died April 21, 1892. Her husband survived until November 17, 1893, dying in the eighty-first year of his age. Mr. Campbell was the last survivor of his father's family. His death brought to a close an honorable and successful business life, which was characterized by the virtues of industry, honesty and sobriety. Diligent and successful in all his undertakings, he won the respect and confidence of those with whom he was associated in his various enterprises. His untiring industry, fidelity to every trust, and diligence were remarkable, while his watchfulness and care over business continued almost to the day of his death.

James Gilmore Campbell was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, April 5, 1811, and died in the same borough, November 23, 1885. He was the eldest son of William and Jane (Gilmore) Campbell, and spent his entire life in his native county. He was connected with his father and brother William in business, and at the time of his death was senior member of the firm of J. G. & W. Campbell. In 1842 he was elected sheriff of Butler county, and during his term of office occurred the outbreak, growing out of the murder of the Wigton family, by Mohawk, in which he displayed the bravest determination to uphold the law and enforce the peace. He was elected a presidential elector on the Democratic ticket in 1856, and was chosen by the electoral college to convey the returns of the State to Washington. President Buchanan subsequently appointed him marshal of the western district of Pennsylvania, an office which he filled from 1857 to 1861, in a manner satisfactory to men of all political opinions. On the breaking out of the Rebellion, Mr. Campbell was among the first to give his support to the Union cause, and when, in 1862, the State was threatened by invasion, he was active in raising a company of volunteers to go to the defence of the flag. He was chosen captain of the company, and in that post, as in all others, whether public or private, he was faithful to his duty. Mr. Campbell was never married, and for some years prior to his death was almost helpless from paralysis. But in all passing events he maintained his old time interest, and his mind remained comparatively clear to the last. Few men were better known in the county, and few wielded a wider influence. He was a man of marked courage and fearless in the discharge of his duty. In social life he was an agreeable companion, and his kind words and cheerful ways made him a favorite with all. His private life was pure and his integrity above question. In his business as a merchant, for more than forty years, he always bore the reputation of a liberal giver and an honest man.

William Campbell, eldest son of William and Eliza Jane (Shaw) Campbell, was born in Butler, April 11, 1843, and received his education in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, completing his studies at Washington and Jefferson College. He then went to Pittsburg, where he was engaged in the foundry business until his appointment as cashier of the Butler Savings Bank, February 6, 1871. This position he has since filled in a highly creditable manner. He is a member of the firm of J. G. & W. Campbell, lineal successors to the business established by his grandfather in 1835. He is also a director in the Butler Electric Light Company, and is interested in oil producing. In 1862 he enlisted in Company K., One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served with his regiment at Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. Politically, he has always been a Democrat, and, like his father, he is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church of Butler, in which he is one of the trustees. Mr. Campbell was married June 11, 1889, to Elizabeth, daughter of Dr. Joseph Lusk, one of the pioneer physicians of the county. They are the parents of two children: William, and Janet.

John S. Campbell, second son of William and Eliza Jane (Shaw) Campbell, was born March 18, 1847, in the old homestead at Butler. His primary education was obtained in the public schools, and he afterwards attended the

military academy, at West Chester, Pennsylvania. In 1866 he entered his father's employ, afterwards clerked in the Brady's Bend Iron Works store, and later was bookkeeper for Tack Brothers & Company, of Pittsburg, until 1869. On the death of his uncle, James Gilmore Campbell, he and his brother William inherited their uncle's interest in the firm of J. G. & W. Campbell, and at their father's death became sole proprietors. Mr. Campbell is the principal stockholder in, and president of, the Butler Electric Light Company, in the organization of which he was the leading spirit, and he was also the principal promoter of North Side cemetery. He was a member of the Bald Ridge Oil Company, and has operated extensively in the oil fields of Butler county, under the firm name of McBride & Campbell. Their celebrated well at McBride City, struck December 13, 1884, came in at the rate of nearly 10,000 barrels per day, and they sold half of it and the lease for $90,000. He has been actively engaged in oil producing since 1869, in various parts of this county and West Virginia. He is also the owner of a fine stock farm in Center township, and is engaged in breeding Jersey cattle and high grade horses. Mr. Campbell was married October 9, 1885, to Jennie E., a daughter of R. J. Rogers, of Attica, New York, and has two children: Richard R., and John S. He is prominent in the local councils of the Democratic party, and although not a member, he attends the Presbyterian church. He is a leading member of the Masonic order, and is also connected with the R. A., K. of H., A. L. of H., and the A. O. U. W.

Maurice Bredin is well and favorably remembered by the older inhabitants of Butler, where the greater portion of his life was passed. He was a native of County Donegal, Ireland, a son of James and Jane (Dunlap) Bredin. In 1802 the family settled in Donegal township, Butler county, where the father obtained 200 acres of land by settler's right. In 1812 they removed into what is now Summit township, about two miles southeast of Butler. Maurice was reared amidst pioneer surroundings, and was inured to the trials and hardships of early days. After reaching manhood he removed to Butler, where the remaining years of his life were passed. He married Ann Niblock, a sister of Rev. Isaiah Niblock, to which union were born the following children: James M.; John; Mary; Mrs. Maria Caldwell; Mrs. Nannie Kirker; Mrs. Sarah Lamberton, and Benjamin W. Mr. Bredin served two years in the borough council, in 1819 and 1821; was justice of the peace for many years afterward; served four years as register and recorder of Butler county, and also as county commissioner. In 1823 himself and brother, John Bredin, established the *Repository*, which they published several years. They were also among the prominent pioneer merchants of the borough, and carried on business on the south side of the Diamond. He died August 11, 1852, aged seventy-two years. His widow removed to Franklin and there died. Mr. Bredin was a unique character, inflexibly honest, transparently sincere, intelligent, confiding, generous and unsophisticated as a child, and always true. He was intensely loyal to Butler county and her people, and a slight or indignity offered to either, under any circumstances, evoked his sharp and stern rebuke. He had but little regard for the conventionalties of society, as to manners, dress, or equipage, and keenly critized the innovations upon the simplicity of pioneer life. This trait in his character was often misinterpreted and misunderstood, but

if censoriously called in question to his face, received from him such withering retorts as he alone was capable of giving. Mr. Bredin possessed a tall, dignified, and commanding presence. He was genial, companionable and cheerful in all the associations of life, a devoted husband, a kind and indulgent father, an earnest, faithful christian. He lived and died in Butler, closing a long life without a stain upon his integrity, a marked and honored character in Butler's history. He was intensely Democratic in his political views, while in religion he was a practical member of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church.

James Dunlap was born on the corner of Main and Jefferson streets, in Butler, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1807, and was one of the first children born within the borough limits. His grandfather, Rev. James Dunlap, was the second president of Jefferson College, and his father, James Dunlap, was a pioneer lawyer of the Butler bar, whence he removed to Mississippi and served on the bench a long term of years as United States district judge. The subject of this sketch was reared in Butler, received a good academical education, and early developed a strong taste for the surveyor's profession, which he studied under the able preceptorship of David Dougal, the pioneer surveyor of Butler county. On April 17, 1838, he married Margaret Murdock, a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Connor) Murdock, of Washington county. She became the mother of four children, as follows: Samuel M., of Butler; Mary L., wife of Robert Henry, of Allegheny; Lydia R., wife of W. J. McKee, of Butler, and James, deceased.

In 1862 he became a partner of W. S. Boyd, and the firm of W. S. Boyd & Company carried on merchandising on the corner of Main and Jefferson streets for many years, and subsequently he and Mr. Boyd engaged in dealing in real estate. Although following mercantile pursuits, Mr. Dunlap did not give up surveying. As years sped by he became an enthusiast in his profession, and was always recognized as an excellent surveyor. He possessed a strong, clear, analytical mind, and was gifted with great energy and a constitution well fitted to bear the hardships of his laborious duties. Through judicious study and practice, he became a high authority on the land titles and surveys of this section of the State, and for years he was a most trusted witness in the establishment of boundary lines. He was celebrated for his clear, direct and positive statement of facts, supported by accurate and concise field notes and drafts. At the time of his death, July 29, 1892, there were few men in Butler county who had so large a personal acquaintance with its people as James Dunlap. His memory stretched back over a period of more than three-quarters of a century, and his name was a familiar one in nearly every home.

Mr. Dunlap was one of the leading Democrats of the county, and always in line with the advanced thought of his party. Thoroughly familiar with current history, and equally conversant with the maxims of sound political economy, he was a keen and dangerous opponent in debate, and sought rather than avoided political discussion. Aggressive and uncompromising in the assertion and maintenance of his convictions, he was always careful that political differences should not disturb the harmony of personal friendships. In 1860 he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention at Charleston, South Carolina, was county surveyor for several years, always took a decided personal interest in the

growth and progress of education, and served on the school board for a long period. He was a man of exemplary moral character, unassuming in manner, dignified and courteous in address, chaste in conversation, and upright in all his dealings with his fellowmen. His name and memory deserve a worthy place in the annals of his native town.

JOHN DUFFY, second son of Charles and Ellen Duffy, was born in Ireland, in November, 1784, and immigrated with his parents to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1793, where the family resided until the spring of 1796, and then crossed the Allegheny river into what is now Butler county, with the advanced guard of pioneers. They were among the first settlers of Donegal township, and located on the tract since known as the Duffy farm, where John grew to manhood. In August, 1814, he was appointed, by Governor Snyder, captain of a company in the Twenty-fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania Militia, and served in that capacity many years. In 1816 he was elected a justice of the peace, which position he filled until 1823. In that year he removed to the borough of Butler and established a general store, which business he followed until 1840, when he was appointed one of the associate judges of Butler county. He served upon the bench until 1850, and then retired from all active business. He was never married, and died in June, 1864, aged eighty years. Judge Duffy was a man of the strictest integrity, and possessed those sterling qualities which characterized the lives of the first settlers.

PETER DUFFY, third son of Charles and Ellen Duffy, was born in Donegal township, Butler county, March 30, 1798. He was reared upon the homestead farm until he was eighteen years of age, attended the pioneer subscription schools, and endured the privations and trials incident to pioneer life. In 1816 he came to Butler and took charge of a woolen mill and carding machine attached to the old grist mill, which then stood across the Connoquenessing, above the site of the present Reiber mill. This old mill was erected by William Neyman in 1800, and was one of the first of the kind in Butler county. In 1823 he entered his brother John's store, and afterwards became a partner in the business. In 1827 he engaged in contracting on the Pennsylvania canal, and continued upon that public improvement until it was completed. Mr. Duffy was appointed postmaster of Butler December 10, 1830, and held the office two years. He was then appointed prothonotary and clerk of the courts of Butler county, and served in that capacity until 1836. In 1833 he married Deborah Dougherty, to whom were born three children, as follows: Mary, who became a Sister of Mercy, and in 1861, when the government established a soldier's hospital at Pittsburg, in which there were, during the greater part of the war, thousands of sick and wounded Union soldiers, she was placed in charge as Sister Superior, held that position until the close of the Rebellion, and died in February, 1870; Charles, who succeeded his father in business in 1873, and has since carried on merchandising at the same place, and James E., now pastor of St. John's Catholic church, East Albany, New York. When the gold excitement broke out in 1849, Mr. Duffy went to California, where he remained until 1853. Returning to Butler he resumed merchandising, which business he continued until 1863, and then retired from active business. The great oil development in Butler county embraced his

farm in Donegal township and brought him a large royalty. Mr. Duffy was one of the pioneer Catholics of Butler, and assisted in the erection of the old stone chapel, as well as both of the present church buildings. Throughout his long residence here he was recognized as one of the most charitable and useful citizens of the community. He was a man of wide information, broad views and great force of character. He died in December, 1883, at the ripe old age of eighty-six years, a veritable patriarch of his native county.

Hugh McKee, second son of Thomas and Martha McKee, was born in the Tuscarora valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1783, and died in the borough of Butler in 1835. He came with his parents to this county when about fourteen years old, learned the tanner's trade, and later established a tannery on the site of Berg's bank, which business he followed for many years. This tannery is one of the well remembered industries of early days. Mr. McKee was a soldier in the War of 1812, serving in a company from Butler county. He was one of the first elders of the United Presbyterian church, and filled that office for more than thirty years. In 1810 he married Margaret Dunbar, a daughter of John Dunbar, of Butler township, to which union were born the following children: Jane, who married George Potts, of Altoona; Thomas; Robert; Maria, who married Alexander McBride, of Butler; Martha; Margaret; Isaiah J., who died in California in 1861, and James Cooper, a retired surgeon of the United States army, the last being the only survivor of the family. Mrs. McKee survived her husband more than forty years, and died in 1876.

Col. James Cooper McKee, a retired surgeon of the United States army, was born in the borough of Butler, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1830, and received his education in the public schools and at the Butler Academy. He then taught for two winters in Middlesex and Summit townships, and in 1848 attended Duquesne College. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. William C. Thompson, of Indianapolis, attended lectures at the Medical University of Pennsylvania, and graduated from that institution in 1852. Dr. McKee commenced practice at Altoona, where he continued until 1856, and for the next year was located at Hollidaysburg. In 1857 he was examined by the medical board of the regular army, passed, and was commissioned assistant surgeon in the United States army in 1858. His first duty was in charge of a body of recruits from Fort Leavenworth across the plains to Fort Union, New Mexico, a march of 800 miles. In the winter of 1858 he went to old Fort Massachusetts, Colorado, from where he was ordered into the Navajoe Indian country, New Mexico, during the Indian war, and was there until 1859. He was next stationed at Fort Filmore, New Mexico, then ordered into Arizona, and served in the Apache Indian campaign until 1860, when he returned to Fort Filmore and was ordered into a winter campaign under General Canby against the Navajoe Indians. In the spring of 1861 he returned to Fort Filmore, and, the Rebellion having broken out, he was taken prisoner by Major Baylor, who commanded a Texas Militia regiment, was paroled and finally returned to Fort Leavenworth, and thence to Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He was soon afterwards ordered to Fort Wayne, and then to Camp Butler, Illinois, where he had charge of the rebel prisoners of war. Here he was relieved from parole by exchange, and went to Chester,

Pennsylvania, where he organized a hospital; was next ordered to join General Pope's army, at Second Bull Run, and served as assistant medical director of the army. At the battle of Antietam he was made assistant medical purveyor of the army, and stationed at Frederick City, Maryland, after the battle. He afterwards took charge of a hospital at Baltimore, and was next sent to organize a general hospital at Pittsburg. In 1863 Dr. McKee was promoted to the rank of captain, and was placed in charge of Lincoln United States Hospital, Washington, D. C., with a capacity of 3,000 beds, where he remained until the close of the war. During this period 25,000 sick and wounded men passed under his attention. He was next ordered to New Mexico as chief medical officer, with headquarters at Sante Fe, where he met with an accident, was sent to Fort Wadsworth, in New York harbor, and remained there between three and four years. After a visit to Europe he became medical director of the department of Arizona, afterward served in the same capacity at Vancouver Barracks, Washington Territory, department of Columbia, and was finally retired from active service, in 1891, for injuries received in the line of duty, with the rank of lieutenant colonel. He returned to his old home in Butler, which has since been his place of residence. Colonel McKee is a gentleman of fine literary tastes, dignified character, broad views and a wide knowledge of men and books. He is the author of a pamphlet giving the details of the surrender of his command at Fort Filmore, which has run through three editions, and is highly prized by military men.

Maj. George W. Reed was born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, July 14, 1803. His father, a native of Scotland, died when our subject was five years old, and his mother, who was born in Holland, subsequently married a gentleman named Ash. George W. was reared upon his stepfather's farm. At the age of twenty-one he visited his cousin, J. J. Sedwick, who was engaged in the harness and saddlery business at Butler, Pennsylvania. Mr. Sedwick induced him to learn the harnessmaker's trade, and after serving his apprenticeship he located at Harmony, Butler county, where he worked at his trade for a few months. Returning to Butler he soon after purchased the saddlery and harness business and property of William Criswell, and carried on that business for some time. He next bought the site and built the home where his daughter now resides, also a store building which then stood on the site of Alfred Wick's residence. He conducted business here until 1863. Mr. Reed was originally a Whig, but on the formation of the Republican party he joined that organization and was ever afterwards a stanch defender of its principles. In 1841–42 he served in the borough council, in 1845 was elected sheriff, and in 1861 treasurer of Butler county. In 1828 he was one of the viewers appointed by the court to lay out the road from Butler to Kittanning, and in 1845 he was one of the viewers who surveyed the road from Butler to Brady's Bend. Mr. Reed was active in the State Militia, first serving as captain and major, and in 1835 he was elected brigade inspector for Butler and Beaver counties, and in 1842 for Butler county alone. In 1848 he was elected brigadier-general, and subsequently adjutant and major of his battalion, which he virtually commanded. Major Reed was among the early oil operators of Butler county, and later in life, while not an active operator, had valu-

able interests in the Hundred Foot field and in other parts of the county. Though not actively engaged in agricultural pursuits, he owned and operated a farm close to the borough up to the time of his death, which is still in the possession of his family. He was reared in the Lutheran faith, but after his marriage he joined the United Presbyterian church, and was a prominent member of the Butler society.

Major Reed was married in 1832, to Mary A. Potts, whose parents were natives of Glasgow, Scotland, whence they removed to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Nine children blessed this union, as follows: Anne J., widow of J. T. Lane of Davenport, Iowa; Catharine A., widow of Simpson Walker; Eliza, deceased wife of James A. Balph; Alfred G., who was mortally wounded at Fredericksburg; Nelson P., deceased, for many years a prominent publisher of Pittsburg; Agnes L., who resides in the old home at Butler; George W., deceased; Mary, wife of Charles A. Sullivan, a member of the Pittsburg bar, and Joseph, a resident of the same city. Mrs. Reed died in Butler, May 8, 1887. Her husband survived her nearly six years, and died in the old homestead, February 16, 1893. Their married life extended over a period of fifty-five years, and throughout their long residence in Butler they enjoyed the love and confidence of a large circle of friends. The gentlemanly bearing of Major Reed in all the walks and departments of life, had much to do with winning the admiration and respect of his fellow citizens. He possessed a most genial and sociable nature, and a rectitude and integritry without a stain. Temperate and moral in all things, an active and useful citizen, he earned the esteem of all, and passed away at the advanced age of nearly ninety years without leaving an enemy behind.

Nelson P. Reed, second son of Maj. George W. Reed, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, August 14, 1841, where he also received his education in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. When his father was elected county treasurer, Nelson P. entered the office as assistant, and at the same time took charge of the register and recorder's office for C. E. Anderson, the register and recorder, who was in the army as captain of Company C., One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. In 1863 he was appointed book-keeper for the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, and subsequently business manager of that paper. He next purchased the Pittsburg *Gazette*, and later consolidated it with the Pittsburg *Commercial*, under the title, *Commercial-Gazette*, and published that paper to the time of his death. Mr. Reed was twice married, his first wife being Miss Lizzie Robb, to whom was born a daughter, Bessie, wife of Alfred G. Reed, of Pittsburg. His second wife was Miss Emma Dunlap, who survives him, and is the mother of one son, Nelson, deceased. The ability of Nelson P. Reed, as publisher of the *Commercial-Gazette*, is known throughout the State, and his success reflects credit on the place of his birth.

Alfred G. Reed, in whose honor A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., of Butler, was named, was born July 2, 1839, in Butler borough, son or Maj. George W. Reed. He was educated in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute, and commenced reading law with John N. Purviance. Before his admission to the bar, at the first call for for troops in 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, which was one of the first regiments to

cross the Potomac into Virginia. At the expiration of his three months' term, he re-enlisted for three years in Company H, Seventy-Eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was commissioned second sergeant. His regiment was assigned to General Negley's command, operating in Kentucky and Tennessee. After a brief period he obtained permission from the colonel of his regiment to return to Butler and raise a company of mounted men; but subsequently joined C. E. Anderson, in recruiting Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for the nine months' service. He was commissioned first lieutenant of this company, on August 14, 1862, and was promoted to the rank of adjutant, on October 2, following. He was frequently complimented by General Humphrey on being one of the most efficient drill masters in the division. In that terrible charge at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, he was mortally wounded, and died on December 28, following. His remains were brought home and now rest in North Side cemetery. Adjutant Reed married Mary B. Miller, of Allegheny, who still resides in that city. One son was born to this union, Alfred G., now one of the owners of the *Commercial-Gazette*, of Pittsburg.

Hon. Jacob Ziegler was born in Gettysburg, Adams county, Pennsylvania, September 19, 1813, the second in a family of nine children born to George and Gertrude Elizabeth Ziegler of that place. He attended the schools of his native town during his boyhood, or until the removal of the family to a farm some three miles from Gettysburg, where he continued to assist his parents in the necessary work. Finally tiring of agricultural pursuits, he concluded to seek his fortune in a more congenial occupation. Leaving home without his parents' knowledge, with a capital of but one dollar and twelve cents in his pocket, he went to Gettysburg, thence proceeded to Pittsburg, and from the latter city came to Butler, traveling the whole distance afoot and living on the scantiest fare during the journey. He arrived at William Beatty's tavern on the evening of August 21, 1831, with only twelve cents of his capital left. That kind-hearted gentleman, after learning the circumstances, gave him his supper and a night's lodging. During the evening he met David Agnew, an old schoolmate, and the following day he took up his abode at Mr. Agnew's home. About a month later he entered the *Repository* office for the purpose of learning the printer's trade. James McGlaughlin, one of the editors, asked him to take the place just made vacant by the death of a former apprentice, Neil McBride, and he says: "I agreed to do so on condition that I was to eat at the same table with the family. He said, certainly, but I would find the victuals d—n poor." "The agreement," says Mr. Ziegler, "was written with chalk on the inside of the front door of the office, and was about in these words:"

September, 1831.

Jacob Ziegler came to learn the printing business with McGlaughlin & McClelland. He agrees to stay two years and six months, when he will be free. During that time we agree to furnish him with victuals, clothing and lodging.

McGlaughlin & McClelland. Jacob Ziegler.

He remained faithful to this agreement, served his full time, and continued to work in the office as a journeyman. Some time later his parents, learning of his whereabouts, came to see him, and were so well pleased with his progress and

good record that his father purchased him an interest in the office. In May, 1842, he became one of the proprietors of the *Herald*, with which he was connected a few years at that period. His name is inseparably linked with that paper, which in later years was known far and wide as "Ziegler's Herald."

In the meantime he became quite prominent in public affairs, and began to wield a great influence in the councils of the Democratic party. From 1835 to 1838 he served as clerk of the board of county commissioners, and in the latter year he was appointed prothonotary of Butler county by Governor Porter. In October, 1838, he was elected as his own successor, and served three years. During this period he had studied law under Hon. John Bredin, was admitted to the bar April 18, 1836, and practiced his profession a few years. In 1843 he was chosen transcribing clerk in the State Senate, served in that capacity for two sessions, and afterwards as assistant clerk of the same body one year. In 1847 he was elected a member of the legislature, served one term, and was then appointed a clerk in the pension department at Washington, D. C. When General Taylor became president, the heads of many Democratic clerks fell under the official ax, and Mr. Ziegler's was one of them. In 1849 he went to California and spent fourteen months in the mines of the Golden State. Returning to Pennsylvania, he was appointed chief clerk in the office of the secretary of the Commonwealth, and served in that capacity during Governor Bigler's administration. He was an assistant clerk in the House in 1857, and chief clerk from 1858 to 1860. In 1861 he was elected chief clerk of the Senate, and served during one session. While acting as chief clerk of the House, Mr. Ziegler wrote a book on parliamentary law, which embraced the rules and laws governing the General Assembly, and various other matters of interest. This work, known as "Ziegler's Manual," was the foundation of what is now "Smull's Legislative Hand Book." He was a recognized authority on parliamentary law, and few men of his time possessed so thorough a knowledge of the rules governing legislative bodies. It may not be generally known that Mr. Ziegler was the originator of the Credit Mobilier, and that from his fertile brain sprung that great plan to raise funds for the construction of the Union Pacific railroad. He, however, made little out of it, while millions were made by other prominent public men who utilized this product of his brain. So wide was his reputation for some years succeeding the Rebellion, that the New York *Herald* once mentioned his name among the prospective presidential candidates. In 1882 he was again elected to the legislature by the people of Butler county, and was a recognized leader of the Democratic party in the House. Captain Ziegler was a fluent and forcible speaker and a ready and vigorous writer. His speeches were full of pith and point, permeated with a vein of humor, and illustrated by appropriate anecdotes, which he seemed to have always ready for the occasion. He was celebrated as a story teller, and the life of every social gathering.

His title of captain was derived from his connection with the DeKalb Greys, the crack military company of Butler county prior to the Rebellion. He organized, equipped and drilled this command, and was its leading spirit during its existence. When Sumter was fired on and the flag insulted, Captain Ziegler,

seeing no hope of an honorable peace, took a firm stand in defence of the Union. He became a voluntary recruiting officer in raising men for the service, and did all in his power to assist the government during those four long years of civil strife. He served as burgess of Butler several terms, and also in the borough council. In 1867 he again became the owner of the *Herald*, took his son, Alfred G., into partnership, and continued as an editor and publisher to the time of his death, which occurred at his home in Butler, June 19, 1888, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. As a distinguished mark of respect, all places of business in Butler were closed during the funeral, and the whole town assumed the appearance of mourning. Honest, kind, generous, helpful, charitable, he died without an enemy. Both in his public career and in his home life, he had won the warmest esteem and friendship of the community. His sterling character endeared him most to those who knew him best, while the affectionate and familiar title of "Uncle Jake," given to him by young and old alike, was but another tribute to his kindness of heart and fatherly bearing from the people among whom he had lived for more than half a century.

Captain Ziegler was married June 30, 1835, to Sarah Brinker, a daughter of Capt. Abraham Brinker, a pioneer tavern keeper of Butler, and later an honored resident of the Bonny Brook settlement. Three sons and four daughters blessed this union, named as follows: Amelia; George W.; Julia E.; Annie L., wife of W. A. Lowry; Mary A.; Alfred G., and Henry, all of whom are dead except George W. and Mrs. Lowry, both residents of Butler. Mrs. Ziegler died March 13, 1881. She and husband were zealous members of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church, and for many years he was a vestryman and warden in that society.

George W. Ziegler was born October 26, 1838, in Butler, Pennsylvania, son of Jacob and Sarah (Brinker) Ziegler, the latter a daughter of Abraham Brinker, a pioneer of Butler. He received a common school education, and learned the printer's trade in his father's office. From 1858 to 1860, he worked at stove moulding, and was a conductor for three years on Ridge Avenue line in Philadelphia. In 1862 he went to Venango county, and was engaged in the oil business and in various other occupations for seventeen years. He then returned to Butler and opened a tin shop, which he carried on three years, when he again returned to the oil fields of Venango, Armstrong and Butler counties, where he spent three years, and then resumed the tinning business in Butler, which he followed until 1892. In that year he established his present business of "fixer." He was janitor of the court house from 1881 to 1883, burgess of Butler in 1881–82, and tax collector in 1886–87–88, when he resigned the office. He was again elected burgess in February, 1893, and filled that position for one year. In politics, he has always been a Democrat, of which party his father was one of the leading members throughout his long residence in Butler county. Mr. Ziegler married Rachel, a daughter of John Shirley, and they are the parents of nine children: J. Walter; Emma, wife of George Keck; Anna, wife of William McKee; John; Gertie, wife of Edward Tibbals; Frank; Pattie; Claude, and Mabel.

Hon. William Beatty, one of the leading citizens of Butler county for many years, was a native of Stewartstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, born in 1787. He was reared in his native land, and immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1807, finally settling in Butler. He served as a sergeant in Captain Thompson's company from Butler county in the War of 1812. In a few years he began to wield great influence in the councils of the Democratic party, and became a valued and representative citizen. He served one term as sheriff of Butler county, three terms in the legislature, and in 1836 was elected to Congress and re-elected in 1838. He discharged the duties of these responsible positions with unswerving faithfulness and recognized ability. For many years he was a popular leader of his party in this county, his strength with the people springing from his innate force of character, rugged common sense, and invincible honesty of purpose. He was one of the pioneer hotel keepers of the borough for a long period, his place being a kind of Democratic headquarters, and also the stopping place for the stage lines. Mr. Beatty was enterprising and public spirited, and though stern and austere in appearance and brief of speech, he was kind-hearted and charitable to those in need of assistance. He finally purchased a farm immediately west of the borough, built the brick residence yet standing, and resided there during the last years of his life, dying April 2, 1851. Throughout his residence in Butler he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of its best people, and was honored as a man and citizen by all with whom he came in contact.

Oliver David, for many years one of the well known merchants of Butler, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, August 22, 1788. His parents, John and Rebecca David, lived on the Chambersburg road, about eight miles from Harrisburg. Towards the close of the Eighteenth century the family removed to what is now Butler county, settling in Middlesex township, where the parents resided until their death, and here Oliver grew to manhood. In September, 1814, he married Ann Wells, a native of Dauphin county. She was a daughter of Joseph and Jane Wells, who removed from Dauphin to Beaver county about the same time the David family settled in Butler county. The young couple took up their abode in Middlesex township, where Mr. David engaged in farming, also carried on a tannery until his removal to Butler. Four children blessed their union, one son and three daughters, the son dying in infancy. The daughters were as follows; Jane, who married William Campbell, of Pittsburg, and after his death Henry Boyd, of Butler; Rebecca B., who became the wife of James Campbell, of Butler, and Annalanah, who married William Adams, of Fairview township. About 1832 Mr. David removed to Butler, where his wife died in 1840. Soon after locating in this borough he entered on a successful mercantile career that lasted about a quarter century. He died here November 5, 1871. Both he and his wife were leading members of the Presbyterian church of Butler. Mr. David was an industrious, careful and economical man, who devoted his entire attention to his business affairs. He was strictly honest in all his dealings, possessed a character of great firmness and decision, and was quite remarkable for his self control.

James Campbell was one of the prominent and best known merchants of Butler throughout a long and successful business career. He was born near

Kennet Square, Chester county, Pennsylvania, January 11, 1802, son of James and Margaret Campbell, natives of Ireland, and early settlers of Middlesex township, Butler county. He resided with his parents until after the settlement of the family in this county, assisting in the erection of buildings and in clearing the land. In 1833 he and his brother William established a grocery store in Pittsburg, and at the same time opened a store at Hookstown, Beaver county, which James took charge of and continued to manage until his brother's death, in 1835. His father died the following year, and James then erected a store building on the farm in Middlesex township, where he carried on merchandising for a short time and also looked after the farm. While on the farm he frequently drove a six-horse team, with a Conestoga wagon, to Philadelphia, exchanging the produce of the farm for goods to stock his store. He also occasionally bought cattle and drove them over the mountains to the eastern market; thus he laid the foundation of his subsequent fortune.

Mr. Campbell was married, January 21, 1841, to Rebecca Bell David, second daughter of Oliver David, one of the pioneer merchants of Butler. She was born on the homestead farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, July 23, 1820, and was about twelve years old when her parents removed into the borough of Butler. Here she grew to womanhood, and was in her twenty-first year when married to Mr. Campbell. Six children blessed their union, as follows: William Oliver, now pastor of the Presbyterian church of Sewickley; Margaret A., wife of Hon. J. D. McJunkin, of Butler; James Thompson, a merchant of Franklin; Theodore Chalmers, attorney at law, of Butler; Howard David, who died in Allegheny in 1889, where he was filling the responsible position of treasurer of the Pittsburg and Western Railroad Company, and Clara Bell, wife of W. D. Brandon, of Butler. At the age of seventeen Mrs. Campbell united with the Presbyterian church of Butler, and died in that faith, November 28, 1853.

In 1842 Mr. Campbell removed to Butler, became a partner with his father-in-law the same year, and continued merchandising until 1864. He was one of the founders of the First National Bank of Butler, and its first president, and during his term of office the affairs of that institution were conducted honestly and successfully, on sound banking principles. speculation with its funds was not permitted, and the bank paid good dividends. He was repeatedly intrusted with the settlement of estates of deceased friends, duties to which he attended with the greatest fidelity. Mr. Campbell became a Presbyterian in 1828, and continued a member of that church until his death, which occurred at his home in Butler, November 16, 1886. He was for many years a trustee of the Butler church and one of its most liberal supporters. He was also actively interested in the prosperity of Witherspoon Institute, and a warm friend of the public schools. At the time of his death, John H. Negley paid to his memory the following tribute in the Butler *Citizen:*

During all his long and active life as a merchant, his integrity was never called in question. Of strict business habits, high moral principles, temperate in life, and correct in all things, he has passed from among us at a ripe old age, leaving a name to be respected and an example to be followed. Mr. Campbell was a man of strong impulses,

and fearless in the expression of his views. He was always prompt in his support of the right, and maintained his convictions with unyielding firmness. He was also a man of quick apprehension and of far more than ordinary intelligence.

Rev. Loyal Young, his friend and pastor, spoke of him as follows:

It was my privilege to enjoy Mr. Campbell's lifelong friendship, having been intimate with him for more than fifty years. To this community it is not necessary to address words of eulogy. You all know how intelligent and useful he was. Were I to select a single word to represent his character, I would express it by the word integrity—integrity in his dealings, in his church and family relations, in his moral character, caused him to be trusted and honored.

Theodore Chalmers Campbell, attorney at law, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1848, son of James and Rebecca B. Campbell. The early education of our subject was obtained in the public schools, and he subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute, of Butler, and Phillips Academy, at Andover, Massachusetts. In 1866 he commenced to read law with Col. John M. Thompson, completed his studies under Hon. Samuel A. Purviance, of Pittsburg, and was admitted to the bar in the latter city, in 1869. He practiced in Pittsburg until 1872, and then located in Butler, where he has since been engaged in the duties of his profession, being now recognized as one of the leading members of the Butler bar. In 1891 he was elected city solicitor, which position he filled for three years. In politics, he has always been a supporter of the Republican party, and in religious faith an adherent of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Campbell was married November 18, 1873, to Juliette Estep, a daughter of Joseph P. Estep, of Allegheny. Four children have been born to this union, viz: Louisa C.; Jean W.; James O., and Juliette E.

Hon. Ebenezer McJunkin was born in Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, March 28, 1819, and is the youngest son of David and Elizabeth (Moore) McJunkin, early settlers of the county. He lived in his native township until 1830, when his father bought and removed to Mt. Etna furnace, in Slippery Rock township, where our subject attended the common schools until 1836. In that year he entered Jefferson College, at Canonsburg, in which institution he spent five years, graduating in September, 1841. He returned to his home in Butler county, and soon after commenced the study of law under Hon. Charles C. Sullivan, one of the leading attorneys of western Pennsylvania, and was admitted to the bar September 12, 1843. He entered practice in partnership with his preceptor, which continued about four years, and he was then appointed deputy attorney-general and opened an office of his own. Through the passing years he won and retained a large and lucrative practice and became one of the best known members of the bar. For half a century he has been recognized as one of the ablest, most eloquent and powerful advocates in this section of the State. In 1857–58 he was in partnership with James Bredin, but from the latter year down to the present, he has not had a law partner. Mr. McJunkin was an old line Whig until the birth of the Republican party, when in unison with some twelve or fifteen other citizens who met in the court house, he assisted in organizing the Republican party of Butler county and in placing a ticket in the field. Since that event he has been one of the prominent and influential leaders of his party in the

State. In 1860 he was a delegate to the National Republican Convention, and was a member of the electoral college in 1864. During Lee's threatened invasion of Pennsylvania, in 1862, he went out as first lieutenant of the "Blackstone Guards," a company largely composed of members of the bar of Butler county.

In November, 1870, he was elected to the Forty-second Congress, and in 1872 was re-elected to the Forty-third, serving until the fall of 1874, when he was elected, with James Bredin, a judge of the district composed of Butler and Lawrence counties. He immediately resigned his seat in Congress, to take effect in January, 1875. In the drawing of lots Judge McJunkin became president judge of the district, and served in that capacity from January, 1875, to January, 1885. His career on the bench was characterized by marked ability, judicial dignity and courtesy, while his decisions were at all times recognized as fair and impartial. He was always patient and considerate with the members of the bar, but firm and unyielding in upholding the cause of justice. Since leaving the bench he has devoted his attention to his professional duties, and in the evening years of his life is enjoying the fruits of his industry. From the earliest history of the oil development he has given aid and encouragement to that enterprise, and was among the first to show his faith in the petroleum wealth of Butler county.

Judge McJunkin was married on July 29, 1847, to Jane Bredin, eldest daughter of Judge John Bredin, of Butler. Four children were the fruits of this union, viz.: John Bredin, who died in infancy; Nannie, who resides with her father; James B., a member of the Butler bar, and Libbie M., wife of Clarence Walker, an attorney of Butler. Mrs. McJunkin died in December, 1854. She was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and though her husband was reared a Presbyterian, he united with the Episcopal church, and has been a member of the vestry and a warden for many years. Judge McJunkin is a man of fine literary tastes, and possesses a mind well stored with the gems of the leading thinkers of the past and present. Of the purest integrity, he enjoys the confidence of a large circle of friends, and has always been regarded with highest esteem by the best people of his native county.

Hon. Charles McCandless was born in Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1834. His paternal grandfather, George McCandless, a native of Antrim county, Ireland, emigrated to Pennsylvania when nineteen years old and settled near Carlisle, Cumberland county. About 1794 George McCandless married Mary, daughter of Nathan Fisher, with whom he had found employment. In 1796 he removed with his young wife to Centre township, Butler county, where he spent the balance of his life. They were the parents of six sons and three daughters, the eldest son, John, being the father of Charles McCandless. In 1824 John McCandless married Jemima Reaves Sullivan, a sister of Charles C. Sullivan, long a leading member of the Butler county bar. John McCandless was county commissioner in pioneer days, and subsequently associate judge of Butler county. He was the father of three sons and six daughters, Charles being the fifth in the family. The maternal grandfather of our subject was Charles Sullivan, a native of James river valley, Northumberland county, Virginia, where his ancestors had settled about the year 1700.

Charles Sullivan was a soldier of the Revolution from Virginia, and was one of the first settlers of Butler county. Charles McCandless grew to manhood on his father's farm, and received his education in a pioneer log school house of that locality. When twenty years of age he taught school in the same building, in the winter of 1854–55. In 1856 he came to Butler, entered Witherspoon Institute, and proved himself an industrious and progressive student. After completing his education he read law with his uncle, Charles C. Sullivan, was admitted to the bar June 14, 1858, and his uncle at once took him into partnership. In a few years he became recognized as a persevering and able lawyer, and entered upon a successful legal career that closed only with his death. In 1860 Mr. Sullivan died, and our subject succeeded to his large practice, which gradually increased through the passing years. Mr. McCandless was married October 16, 1860, to Catherine, daughter of John Michael Zimmerman, one of the pioneer hotel keepers of Butler. Their children are as follows: Caroline, who married Edward P. Greely, of Nashua, Iowa; Mary B., who became the wife of Frederick Lee, and after his death married George D. Ogden, of Butler; Catherine, wife of John G. Jennings; Louisa, and Charles, who died in early youth. In September, 1862, Mr. McCandless was elected major of the Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia, which, with other commands, went to the support of General McClellan at the battle of Antietam. A stanch and unswerving Republican, his party elected him to the State Senate in 1862, and he served in that body three years. At the Republican caucus for speaker of the Senate he came within one vote of being nominated for that position. In 1872 he was a delegate to the Philadelphia convention, which nominated Grant and Wilson as the Republican standard bearers. In 1874 he was appointed by Governor Hartranft judge of the Seventeenth judicial district, and the same year he received the Republican nomination for judge of the same district, comprising Butler and Lawrence counties, his associate on the ticket being L. L. McGuffin, of Lawrence; but a bolt took place in the convention, and E. McJunkin, his competitor for the office, was nominated by the dissatisfied element of the party. The party thus being divided, a combination was effected between the friends of Judge McJunkin and James Bredin, the latter one of the Democratic nominees. This combination was successful, and Mr. McCandless and Mr. McGuffin were defeated. In February, 1878, Judge McCandless was appointed by President Hayes chief justice of New Mexico, and filled that responsible position until October, 1878, when he resigned and returned to Butler. He at once resumed the practice of law, and continued to prosecute the duties of his profession until his death, which occurred March 14, 1893. His widow resides in the old homestead, where so many happy years of their lives were passed together. Judge McCandless was an attendant of the Presbyterian church, and throughout his long and prosperous career in Butler he was recognized as one of the leading jurists of western Pennsylvania.

Hon. John H. Mitchell, United States Senator from the State of Oregon, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1835. At an early period of his life his parents removed to Butler county, which claims him as a son by adoption if not by birth, and it was here that his boyhood days were spent amid the environments of a life upon the farm, a life of constant toil and priva-

tion. Having made up his mind to obtain an education, he never relaxed his efforts until he was admitted to Witherspoon Institute, from which institution he was graduated. The difficulties that beset his path seemed but to exert him to more persistent effort, and bending every energy he overcame all obstacles, so that at an early age he was the possessor of not only a good English education, but was also a fair classical scholar. Thus equipped he entered upon the study of law, and brought to the task the same industry and indomitable will that had hitherto marked his character. With him the study of law became a passion, and at an early period he was so well grounded in all the branches of his profession that his advice was sought by many attorneys of long and active practice at the bar. In 1860 he left his native State for the Pacific coast, and after a brief sojourn in California, permanently located in Portland, Oregon. Soon after his arrival in Oregon, the War of the Rebellion was inaugurated. At that time there was a strong sentiment in California and Oregon and the adjacent territories in favor of the formation of a "Pacific Coast Republic." Th prominent leaders in this movement were men originally from the Southern States, who had dominated the politics of the coast. Thus directed it gained considerable impetus, and had it not been for the active and courageous opposition of a number of determined men this movement would probably have made the task of preserving the Union still more difficult. It was at this juncture that Mr. Mitchell first came prominently forward in public affairs. His earnest eloquence and energy were on the side of the Union, and to his untiring efforts is due in a large measure the failure of the movement to establish an independent government on the shores of the Pacific. As the leader of the opposition to this scheme he was, in June, 1862, elected to the Oregon State Senate, and for four years presided over the deliberations of that body. In 1866, the Republican party being in control of the legislature, he came within one vote of the caucus nomination for United States Senator.

In 1872 Mr. Mitchell was elected to the United States Senate, his term of office commencing March 4, 1873. His ability was soon recognized by his colleagues, and in the arrangement of the committees he was given a place on several of the most important, particularly the committee on privileges and elections, of which Oliver P. Morton was chairman. During the exciting period that followed the presidential election of 1876, this committee was charged with the duty of investigating the contested elections in Louisiana, South Carolina, Florida and Oregon. Pending the investigations, Mr. Morton was designated a member of the Electoral Commission, and, therefore, became ineligible to serve as chairman of the committee on privileges and elections. This condition made it necessary for Mr. Mitchell to act as chairman, and he conducted the investigations with remarkable ability and judgment. So successful was he in this trying ordeal, and so uniformly fair and judicial was his conduct, that his party associates accord him the praise of having so prepared the Republican side of the case that when laid before the world it was without a flaw. As a legal document defining the relations between the State and the National government, this report was accepted by the Electoral Commission as the correct and constitutional guide for its conduct in reaching a decision.

Mr. Mitchell has endeared himself to the people of his State by his efforts to free the Columbia river from the control of monopolists. Through his exertions Congress has undertaken to overcome certain obstructions in this river, which so long as they exist will make free navigation impossible. As a speaker Mr. Mitchell is clear and concise; his sentences are striking for their clear-cut compactness, and his arguments in the Senate and before the Supreme Court are conspicuous for acuteness and correctness of thought. He is a diligent student and a profound thinker, but above all he is a man of strong common sense. His success in life teaches the lesson that success comes only to those who have the energy to strive for it, and who have common sense enough to take advantage of opportunities as they are presented. The reasons for his success, outside of his stock of common sense, are to be found in his rigid industry, indomitable will and fidelity to duty, and in no man is there a higher exemplification of the truth that "Fidelity is the bond of human society, the foundation of all justice and above all things to be religiously observed." He is serving his third term in the Senate, and his standing in that body is ascertained by mentioning the committees of which he is a member, viz.: judiciary, privileges and elections, claims, post offices and post roads, transportation routes to the seabord, and claims against Nicaragua.

Hon. Aaron Lyle Hazen was born in Shenango township, Lawrence county (then a part of Beaver), Pennsylvania, February 19, 1837. He is a son of Henry and Sarah (Warnock) Hazen, natives of Pennsylvania. His paternal grandfather, Nathan Hazen, was born in Washington county, son of Nathaniel Hazen, a native of Connecticut, who was a pioneer of Washington and afterward of Beaver county; while his maternal grandfather, James Warnock, was born in Down county, Ireland. His maternal grandmother was a descendant of Robert Lyle, a pioneer of Northumberland county, whose descendants were also pioneers of Washington county, Pennsylvania. Aaron L. attended the district schools of his native township, and later the Beaver Academy, graduating from the latter institution in 1858. He then entered Jefferson College, at Canonsburg, where he was graduated in 1861, the last year being devoted to the study of law. When Sumter was fired upon he was among the first to enlist in defense of the Union, and was mustered into the Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in April, 1861. Upon the expiration of his term, he re-enlisted, but a serious attack of deafness prevented his service in the ranks, and he was appointed a paymaster's clerk in the Cumberland district. The last year of the war he served as receiving and paying teller in the United States depository at Louisville, Kentucky. In September, 1865, he was admitted to the bar at New Castle, Lawrence county, soon built up a good practice, and from 1870 to 1876 he filled the office of district attorney of that county with credit and ability. He continued in the active duties of his profession until 1884, when his prominence at the bar was again recognized by his nomination on the Republican ticket for judge of the Seventeenth judicial district, then composed of Butler and Lawrence counties. Though his associate on the ticket, John M. Greer, was defeated, he was elected and became president judge, and from January, 1885, until the division of the district by the creation of a new district out of Lawrence county in 1893,

he filled that position, with Butler as his place of residence. The act dividing the district named him as president judge of Lawrence county, which position he occupied until January, 1895. Judge Hazen was married in 1865, to Amelia J. Watson, a daughter of William Watson, of New Castle. Three children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Mary W., who married Porter W. Lowry, of Butler; Aaron Lyle, and Henry William, all of whom are dead. After the death of her children, the affectionate mother also laid down the burden of life, leaving the kind husband and father to mourn his irreparable loss.

Hon. John Morgan Greer, president judge of the Seventeenth judicial district, was born in what is now Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1844. He is a son of Thomas and Margaret Jane (Morgan) Greer, and grandson of Matthew and Isabella (Boise) Greer, natives of Tyrone county, Ireland. He was reared on the homestead, obtained a common school education, and subsequently attended Connoquenessing Academy, at Zelienople. He afterwards taught school in Winfield township, in the winter of 1861–62, and in Jefferson township in 1863–64. In July, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until mustered out at the expiration of his term, participating in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. In March, 1864, he re-enlisted, in Battery E, Second Pennsylvania Artillery, but the regiment having more than its quota, a new regiment was organized by the war department, known as the Provisional Second Artillery, in which he served as sergeant of Battery B, in Ledlie's Division, Ninth Army Corps, until the close of the war. He was in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna River, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and Mine Explosion, where he was shot through the left thigh by a minie-ball, while in command of his company. He was taken to the hospital, remained there until March, 1865, and was present at the surrender of Lee. He was mustered out with his regiment in February, 1866. Returning home he taught school for one term in Butler, completed his law studies with Judge McCandless, and was admitted to the bar September 23, 1867. He at once commenced practice alone, and, in 1868, was elected district attorney, filling that position three years. In 1873 he formed a partnership with Judge McCandless, which existed five years. In 1876 he was elected, on the Republican ticket, senator of the Forty-first district, composed of Butler and Armstrong counties, was re-elected in 1880, and served in the Senate of Pennsylvania for eight years. Throughout his term of service he was a member of the judiciary committee. He is the author of a bill providing for an appeal to the Supreme Court where the lower court refused to open a judgment entered on a power of attorney on a note or bond; also of a bill which provides that no deed, regular and absolute on its face, shall be treated as a mortgage, unless the defeasance is in writing, made at the time of the deed and placed on record within sixty days; also of another bill providing that judgment by default, against one of several defendants, shall not bar a recovery against other defendants in the same suit.

In 1882, while still a member of the Senate, he was nominated on the first ballot for secretary of internal affairs, and though the whole ticket was defeated that year, he led it by a respectable majority. In 1884 he was one of the two

judicial candidates nominated by the Republican party in the Seventeenth district, composed of Butler and Lawrence counties, but the people of Lawrence county gave their support to Judges Hazen and McMichael, both citizens of that county, and he was defeated by less than 200 votes. In 1887 he formed a partnership with Everett L. Ralston, which existed until his elevation to the bench. The same year he was appointed by Governor Beaver inspector and examiner of Soldiers' Orphan Schools, and after serving in that capacity four years he resigned. On the death of Judge McMichael, in 1892, he was the choice of Butler county for the vacancy, was nominated on the Republican ticket and elected. In 1893 the legislature of Pennsylvania passed a law dividing the Seventeenth district into two separate districts, with Lawrence county as a new district, and Judge Greer became president judge of the Seventeenth, embracing Butler county alone. He has always been a Republican, and is one of the strongest and most popular members of his party in western Pennsylvania. During his official career he has won many warm friends by his kind and courteous bearing and evident desire to be just and fair. He has made a good judge, being firm and unyielding in the cause of justice, yet ever ready to listen to the plea of mercy. Judge Greer was married on March 24, 1864, to Julia S. Butler, a daughter of John B. and Harriet N. (Stebbins) Butler. She is a native of Clarion county, Pennsylvania, and the mother of four children, as follows: Hattie, who died in 1876, aged nine years; Thomas H., who is connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Pittsburg; John B., an attorney of Butler, and Robert B. The Judge is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., and the family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. He was one of the citizens of Butler county who were instrumental in establishing Slippery Rock State Normal School, and he has been one of the State trustees of that institution since the beginning.

Col. John M. Thompson was born on the old homestead in Brady township, Butler county, January 4, 1830, and is the eldest son of William H. and Jane (McCandless) Thompson. His primary education was obtained in the common schools, but he afterwards attended Witherspoon Institute, where he completed hisstudies. He taught in the public schools for a short period, commenced reading law in 1852 with Samuel A. Purviance, and was admitted to the bar in 1854. He entered into a law partnership with Purviance & Sullivan, and upon Mr. Purviance's election to Congress, he took charge of his entire practice. Since that time Colonel Thompson has built up a lucrative business in his profession, and is one of the oldest and most successful members of the Butler county bar. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, and was elected to the legislature in 1858, and in the session of 1859–60 he was speaker pro tem. In 1862 he was elected major of the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the battles of Antietam, South Mountain and Fredericksburg. He was wounded in the last mentioned battle, and then retired from the service and returned to Butler. He is a member of the Loyal Legion and the G. A. R. In 1868 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention that nominated General Grant for the presidency, and was one of the electors of Pennsylvania in 1872, and carried the State returns to Washington. In January,

1875, he was elected to Congress to serve out the unexpired term of Hon. E. McJunkin, who had resigned his seat as the member from this district, after being elected judge. In 1876 Colonel Thompson was elected for a full term of two years. He was one of the promoters of the Shenango and Allegheny railroad, filled many of the offices in that company, is the attorney of the road at the present time, and has been the local attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for twenty-two years. Colonel Thompson was married October 10, 1854, to Anna L., daughter of William Campbell, to which union have been born three children: O. D., attorney at law, Pittsburg; William C., an attorney of Butler, and Anna Elora, wife of Charles Mitchell, of St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Thomas Robinson one of the oldest members of the Butler bar, was born July 4, 1825, in Armagh county, Ireland. His parents, Thomas and Arabella (Riley) Robinson, were natives of the same county. The family immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1832, and settled on a farm east of Pittsburg, removing three years later to what is now Penn township, Butler county. Here his father purchased a farm, upon which the parents spent the remaining years of their lives, The subject of this sketch was reared upon the homestead, and his early educational advantages were such as the pioneer schools of his neighborhood afforded. Being ambitious to obtain a better education, he entered the old Butler Academy in 1851, where he prosecuted his studies for a period, and later taught school for two years. In 1854 he was appointed clerk in the county commissioners office, and was one of the active spirits who agitated and brought about the re-organization of township lines the same year. About this time he commenced reading law under George W. Smith, was admitted to the bar September 25, 1855, and soon built up a fair practice, which has grown with the passing years. He has always looked after the interests of his clients with zeal and fidelity, and his pleadings in the several courts of the county and State have met with more than ordinary success.

Before his admission to the bar he had entered politics, and was a delegate from Butler county to the first Republican convention, which met in Masonic Hall, at Pittsburg, February 22, 1855. In 1860 he was elected to the legislature, and some years later, served as a clerk in the House. During the war he was one of the earnest supporters of the Union, and did all in his power to uphold the flag in those dark days of civil strife. In 1863–64 he was chairman of the Republican county committee; in 1876 was the choice of the county for State senator, and in 1880 was a Blaine delegate to the Republican National Convention, at Chicago, which, however, nominated Garfield for the presidency. He is now superintendent of public printing at Harrisburg. Mr. Robinson has been in active political life forty years, and has been recognized as one of the local Republican leaders during that period. Throughout his life he has been an unswerving advocate of the principles of his party, and one of the most stubborn and successful fighters within its ranks. His connection with the newspapers of Butler is fully spoken of in the Press chapter. During his journalistic career his literary ability was apparent in the editorial columns of his paper, which bristled with the keenest and most vigorous invective against political opponents and their measures.

Mr. Robinson has always taken a deep interest in the public schools of Butler, and has served on the school board three years. He has also been connected with the prosperity of the Slippery Rock State Normal School, and is now serving his second term as a trustee of that institution. The temperance cause, too, has in him one of its stanchest supporters, and much of its success in Butler county is due to his wise foresight and legal advice. He married Ann E., daughter of Dr. Eli G. DeWolf, to which union thirteen children were born, nine of whom are living, viz.: Eli D.; Sallie A.; Clara B.; Adelaide K.; Arabella; Lexie; Charles C.; George E, and Thomas. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Hon. J David McJunkin, attorney at law, was born upon the old homestead in Centre township, Butler county, September 3, 1839, and is the eldest son of William and Priscilla McJunkin. His primary education was obtained in the common schools. He subsequently spent four years at the Butler Academy, the Witherspoon Institute and West Sunbury Academy, and taught school for several years. He read law with Judge McJunkin, and was admitted to the bar June 8, 1863. In 1864 he went to Franklin, Venango county, where he practiced his profession until 1873. During his residence in Franklin he was elected to the legislature, in 1869, and was re-elected in 1870 and 1871. Returning to Butler in 1873 he resumed the practice of the law. In 1879 he was connected with the Bald Ridge Oil Company, whose operations were the means of attracting the attention of oil men to the further developement of the Butler field. Politically, he is a Republican, and in 1880 and 1882, he carried Butler county for the congressional nomination. In 1862 he served in Company G, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia, which was called out to assist in repelling Lee's invasion of the State. Mr. McJunkin married Margaret A. Campbell, a daughter of the late James Campbell, to whom have been born the following children: Clara Bell; William David; Mary Christie, wife of Lewis R. Schmertz; Charles Campbell; John Welles, and Margaret Kathleen, who died in January, 1888. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has always contributed liberally towards that organization.

W. H. H. Riddle, attorney at law, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1840, and is a son of Samuel L. and Mary A. (Schroder) Riddle, natives of Pennsylvania. His father came to Butler county in 1854, and settled in Fairview township, where he was engaged in farming for twenty-five years. He then returned to Allegheny county, where he resided until his recent death. The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools, and at West Sunbury and Harrisville Academies, read law with Col. John M. Thompson, and was admitted to the bar in 1864. In 1865 he was elected district attorney, and since the expiration of his term in that office, he has continued in the active duties of his profession. Mr. Riddle was married February 18, 1862, to Angeline, daughter of Robert Walker, one of the early settlers in the northern part of Butler county. Three children are the fruits of this union: Edwin S., attorney at law and court stenographer; Matilda, and Lillian. Politically, Mr. Riddle is a stanch Republican, and was a delegate to the Republican National Convention at Chicago in 1884. He is one of the founders

of the Butler County Agricultural Association, also of the Farmers' Institute, and for the past seven years has been a member of the State Agricultural Society. He has always taken a deep interest in the growth and progress of agriculture, and has devoted much time to the encouragement of agricultural pursuits.

Capt. George W. Fleeger, attorney at law, is the third son of Peter and Mary (Rider) Fleeger, and was born March 13, 1839, in Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He received a good education in the public schools, commenced teaching at the age of sixteen, and afterwards attended West Sunbury Academy. On the 10th of June, 1861, he enlisted in the Dickson Guards, an organization composed of the students of the Academy and young men of the same neighborhood. This company was finally mustered into the service as Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve. Captain Fleeger participated in the following engagements: Great Falls, Drainsville, Mechanicsville, Gaines Hill, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Williamsport, Bristoe Station, Rappahannock Station, New Hope Church, Mine Run, and the Wilderness. He was captured at Gaines Hill and sent to Belle Isle prison, at Richmond, but after a month's imprisonment he was exchanged. He was also captured at the battle of the Wilderness, and imprisoned ten months at the following places: Macon, Savannah, Charleston and Columbia, and was exchanged at Wilmington, North Carolina, in March, 1865. In June, 1862, he was commissioned first lieutenant, and afterwards breveted captain. Returning home after the war, he commenced reading law in the office of Col. John M. Thompson, and was admitted to the bar in 1866. He was associated in practice with George A. Black until 1869, and from 1887 to 1889 was in partnership with James N. Moore. Since the latter year he has continued in practice alone. Politically, Captain Fleeger has always been a Republican, served in the legislature in 1871–72, was chairman of the county committee in 1874, has been a member of the State committee, and was a delegate to the State conventions of 1882 and 1890. He was also deputy revenue collector of this district in 1869. In 1884 he was elected to the United States House of Representatives, and served in the Forty-ninth Congress. Captain Fleeger is a charter member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., and a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F. He was one of the original stockholders of the Butler County National Bank, and was a director of the Bald Ridge Oil Company during its existence.

Washington D. Brandon, attorney at law, is a son of John W. and Ruth A. (Beighley) Brandon, and was born November 1, 1847, upon the Brandon homestead, in Connoquenessing township, Butler county. After receiving a common school education, he attended Witherspoon Institute at Butler, and was graduated at Washington and Jefferson College in 1868. The following year he commenced reading law with Hon. E. McJunkin, and was admitted to the bar in 1871. He continued to practice with Judge McJunkin for three years, was next in partnership with Clarence Walker, but since 1875 he has practiced alone and has built up a large and most gratifying legal business. Mr. Brandon is recognized as one of the leading members of the Butler county bar, as well as one of its most successful lawyers. In politics, he has always been a Republican, and was a delegate to the State convention in 1887. He is a director and attor-

ney of the Butler Savings Bank ; is a director of the Butler Light, Heat and Motor Company ; is president of the Butler Water Company, and attorney for the United Pipe Line and National Transit Companies. He was one of the promoters of the Bald Ridge Oil Company, and is yet interested in the development of the Butler oil fields. He is one of the most useful members of the Presbyterian church of Butler, is a ruling elder in that body, and is superintendent of the Sabbath school. In all matters pertaining to the prosperity of the church he gives his time willingly, and few members of the congregation have taken a deeper interest in its material progress. Mr. Brandon was married in 1875, to Clara B., daughter of James Campbell, for many years one of the well known citizens of Butler. Five children have blessed this union, as follows: Margaret; Elora; John W.; James C., and Howard Allan.

William McQuistion, second son of John and Barbara McQuistion, was born in the old stone house on the homestead in Butler township, Butler county, in the year 1801. He learned the tanner's trade with his father, and subsequently established himself in that business in the borough, and carried on the same until within a few years of his death, which occurred March 28, 1872, at the age of seventy-one years. He married Mary A. Smith, a daughter of Major Smith, a native of Belfast, Ireland, who settled near Wheeling, West Virginia. Six children were born to this union, as follows; Marshall, a resident of West Virginia; Wallace; Creasap, of Pittsburg; Sarah E., widow of Dr. Sloan; Livingston, and Nannie J., wife of L. Beaumont, of New York. Mrs. McQuistion died December 4, 1893, aged eighty-seven years.

Livingston McQuistion, fourth son of William and Mary Quistion, was born in the borough of Butler, May 16, 1849, and was educated at the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He read law in the office of L. Z. Mitchell, was admitted to the bar June 10, 1870, and for the past twenty-five years he has been engaged in the active practice of his profession. He is recognized as one of the leading members of the Butler bar, and has built up a large and lucrative legal business. In 1874 he was elected district attorney, and filled the office in an able and satisfactory manner. Mr. McQuistion is one of the prominent Democrats of western Pennsylvania, and wields a wide influence in the councils of his party. He has been twice the choice of his party in Butler county for Congress, and once for president judge. In 1880 he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention, which nominated General Hancock for the presidency. In January, 1874, Mr. McQuistion married Miss Sue Beam, a daughter of George Beam, of Harmony, one of the old substantial families of Butler county, and has one son, Crissie L. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, to which denomination his father and grandfather belonged. He is connected with Butler Lodge, F. & A. M., is a member of the Chapter and Commandery, and is also a member of the K. of P., and the B. P. O. E. Mr. McQuistion has always taken a leading interest in local affairs, and given his earnest support towards building up and developing his native town.

Joseph C. Vanderlin, attorney at law, is the seventh son of Stephen and Eliza (Seaton) Vanderlin, grandson of John Vanderlin and great-grandson of Nicholas Vanderlin, who were among the first settlers of Venango township,

A. D. Bowser

Butler county, Pennsylvania. He was born April 16, 1837, upon the old Vanderlin homestead in Venango township, and was educated in the common schools, at Clintonville Academy and Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburg. He taught in the latter institution for some time, then returned to the homestead farm, taught school for a while, and in 1870 commenced reading law with L. Z. Mitchell, of Butler. He was admitted to the bar in 1874, and, in partnership with Livingston McQuistion, has continued in active practice up to the present. In 1868 Mr. Vanderlin married Margaret J., daughter of John Kelly, of Venango township, Butler county, and has the following children: Horatio S., Samuel L., Gertie, Dessie, John, William, deceased, and Victor Paul. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat, is one of the well-known members of the Butler county bar, and in 1894 was the Democratic nominee for Congress in the Twenty-fifth congressional district.

Newton Black, son of James and Nancy A. (Russell) Black, was born November 2, 1844, near Black's mill, Marion township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He received a common school education, and afterwards spent one term at Harrisville Academy. He subsequently taught in the schools of Marion township, Butler county, and Clinton township, Venango county, from 1862 until 1864. In March, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and continued in the service up to May, 1865. He participated in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna River, Cold Harbor and Petersburg, and was wounded in the left index finger in the last named battle, June 17, 1864. He returned to his regiment August 2 following, and served in the battles of Weldon Railroad and Ream's Station; was subsequently transferred from the Ninth to the Eighteenth Army Corps, and was in the engagement at Fort Harrison, September 29, 1864, where he was severely wounded in the head, and was confined in the hospital until the close of the war. Returning to Franklin, Pennsylvania, he spent eighteen months in the oil fields of Warren county, and then engaged in clerking. In 1867 he went to Illinois, taught school one year, and was afterwards employed as a traveling salesman for a wholesale notion house of Quincy, Illinois. In 1871 he returned to Pennsylvania and followed oil producing until 1874, when he commenced reading law with the late Judge Charles McCandless and John M. Greer. He was admitted to the bar in 1876, and has since won his way to a leading rank in his profession and built up a large and lucrative practice. Mr. Black is prominent in the councils of the Republican party, has been chairman and secretary of the county committee, and twice his party's choice in this county for Congress. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R.; also of Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M.; Butler Chapter, Number 273, and Allegheny Commandery, Number 35, of Allegheny. Mr. Black is one of the most popular members of the bar, and has hosts of friends in every section of his native county.

S. F. Bowser, attorney at law, was born February 11, 1842, near Kittanning, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, son of Matthias and Margaret (Williams) Bowser. His father was a native of Armstrong county, of English and German extraction, and his mother a native of the same county, of Welsh and German descent. Our subject was reared upon a farm, and his early education was

obtained in an old log country school house in his native place. His preparatory education was received at Columbia University, Kittanning, from which he graduated in 1869. He subsequently attended Washington and Jefferson college, and was graduated from that institution with high honors in 1872. To get a college course he was compelled to earn the means for that purpose, and taught for a number of years in the graded schools of Armstrong and Clarion counties. While a student at Washington and Jefferson College he filled the Latin chair for a short period and prepared a number of the Seniors in Greek for graduation. After he graduated he was principal one year of the graded schools of East Brady. In 1872 he commenced to read law with Thompson & Scott, of Butler, and was admitted to the Butler county bar in 1874. Mr. Bowser at once commenced practice, in which he has since been actively engaged, and now ranks as one of the leading members of his profession in Butler county. In politics, he is a Republican, and while he has been active in the interests of his party, he has never filled any public office except that of director of the public schools of Butler. He has always been deeply interested in the prosperity of the schools and devotes a great deal of time to educational matters. Besides his legal duties, he is engaged in the production of oil with his brother, A. L. Bowser. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is connected with the I. O. O. F., the Encampment and the K. O. T. M. Mr. Bowser was married June 27, 1876, to Mary C., daughter of Col. Samuel Young, a resident of Clarion county, but later the well known editor of the *Connoquenessing Valley News*, of Zelienople Two children have blessed this union: Mary E., and George F.

W. A. Forquer, attorney at law, was born in Washington township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1845, son of William and Margaret (Murrin) Forquer. His paternal grandfather, John Forquer, was a native of Donegal county, Ireland, and one of the early settlers of Donegal township, and his maternal grandfather, Squire John Murrin, was the founder of Murrinsville, and for many years one of the representative men of Butler county. The subject of this sketch spent his early life upon his father's farm, attended the common schools of that locality, subsequently entered West Sunbury Academy, and later Emlenton Academy, at Emlenton, Venango county. In 1872 he commenced reading law in the office of Col. John M. Thompson, was admitted to the bar in 1874, gradually acquired a prominent position as an attorney, and to-day enjoys a lucrative practice. A Democrat in politics, he soon won a leading place in the councils of his party, and in 1875 he was elected chairman of the Democratic county committee. In 1877 he was nominated and elected district attorney, which position he filled for three years. In 1888 he was a delegate from this district to the National Democratic Convention at St. Louis, Missouri, which nominated Cleveland and Thurman. Mr. Forquer is president of the Democratic Club of Butler, served in the borough council from 1889 to 1892, and has always taken a very active interest in upholding the principles and measures of his party. He is chancellor commander of Butler Lodge, Number 211, K. of P. In 1881 he married Martha M. Livingstone, a daughter of Robert R. Livingstone, of Mahoning county, Ohio. Both he and wife are adherents of the Catholic church.

F. J. Forquer, attorney at law, was born February 27, 1857, son of William and Margaret Forquer. He received a common school education and subsequently attended Sunbury Academy, and Duff's Commercial College of Pittsburg. He read law with his brother, was admitted to practice in 1879, and has since been engaged in the active duties of his profession. Politically, he is a Democrat, and has served as chairman of the Democratic county committee. Mr. Forquer is a member of the Catholic church.

Alexander Mitchell, attorney at law, is the eldest son of James and Sarah (Marks) Mitchell, and was born November 22, 1842, upon the homestead farm in Summit township, Butler county. He received a common school education, and afterwards attended the Witherspoon Institute. In 1864 he enlisted in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. Before entering the service he was employed in the United States revenue department. After his discharge he entered the office of Charles McCandless, under whom he read law, and was admitted to the bar in 1869. He then accepted the position of cashier of the First National Bank of Butler, which he filled until July, 1879, when he formed his present law partnership with Andrew G. Williams, and resumed the practice of his profession. The firm of Williams & Mitchell is well known throughout this section of the State. Mr. Mitchell is an ardent Republican, and takes a deep interest in the success of his party. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., also of the I. O. O. F. and A. O. U. W. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of that organization. In 1868 he was married to Annie E., a daughter of George A. Rodgers, of Plain Grove, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, by which union they are the parents of six children: Frank E., Charles M., Clara O., Mary B., Myra L., and George A.

Andrew G. Williams, attorney at law, was born in Richmond, Virginia, September 8, 1840, son of John G. and Caroline (Snyder) Williams, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Maryland. His parents removed to Etna, Allegheny county, in 1848, having resided in Pittsburg for one year previous. Our subject had meagre advantages for an education, as he entered the rolling mill at Etna when ten years old and learned the trade of nail maker. In 1861 he became interested in the war movement, and by his personal effort raised three companies in Etna for the service. He was elected captain of the last company, but refused to accept that position, preferring to enter the ranks as a private soldier. His command was mustered into the service as Company E., Sixty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and at Second Bull Run he was commissioned second lieutenant. In the spring of 1863 he was placed in command of Company F, and subsequently at the head of his old company, where he remained until the close of his term of service. He was twice wounded, first at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, in the head and hand, and at the Wilderness, August 6, 1864, in the left temple, by a minie-ball. Mr. Williams participated in the following engagements: Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Days' Fight before Richmond, Harrison's Landing, Second Bull Run, Groveton, Chantilly, Fredericksburg, Mud March, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Bristoe Station, Culpepper Court House, Kelly's Ford, Mine Run and the Wilderness. After his return home, on

account of his severe wounds, he was unable to work at his trade. He entered Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburg, and also read law at home. In 1867 he resumed work at his trade, and continued the same until 1873, keeping up his law studies during this period. In 1875 he came to Butler, read law with John M. Greer, and was admitted to the bar the same year. He at once formed a partnership with Alexander Mitchell, and the firm of Williams & Mitchell has since taken rank as one of the leading legal firms at the bar. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, and has taken an active and prominent part in public affairs. He filled the office of notary public from January, 1876, to 1891, was elected to the legislature in November, 1890, and served in that body two years. He has represented his party in both county and State conventions, and has been active in its interests during political campaigns. Mr. Williams has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Lucy A. Lee, who died in August, 1870, leaving three children: Carrie L., wife of A. S. Graham; Jessie A., wife of Lester C. Patterson, and Anna S., wife of Proctor V. Smith. His second wife was Miss Emma S. Ramage, whom he married in November, 1876. Their children are: John G., Benjamin R., Andrew G., Jr., and Mary E. Mr. Williams has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church for over forty-five years, and steward and trustee of this church in Butler for about twenty years. He is a member of the Masonic order, and P. M. of Zeredatha Lodge; is also connected with Allegheny Chapter, and is P. E. C. of Allegheny Commandery, Number 35, K. T., and a member of Syria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of Butler Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L., and of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., of Butler.

H. H. Goucher, attorney at law, was born at Richmond, Trumbull county, Ohio, May 9, 1847. He is a son of H. B. and Eliza J. Goucher. His mother was a daughter of John Ramsey of Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, of Scotch-Irish extraction, and his father of English descent. He was reared on a farm in Scrubgrass township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, where his parents settled when he was quite young. He assisted his father on the farm, and in manufacturing and shipping lumber to Pittsburg, by the old mode of rafting, until he reached the age of about eighteen years. Up to this time he attended common school during the winter terms, took an active part in literary and debating societies, and devoted himself to reading such literary and historical works as his limited means and opportunities afforded. At this age he became ambitious to attain a higher degree of education, with a view of fitting himself for the profession of the law. His parents being in moderate circumstances, he was compelled to resort to some business as a means to accomplish his cherished purpose in life. He turned his attention to the carpenter trade as the most available means of securing money to carry out his purpose. He worked at this trade for six years, during which time he attended school in the winter seasons, and otherwise improved himself by the reading and study of such books as he could command. He started to complete his education by taking a collegiate course in New Wilmington College, but owing to limited means and the lateness in life he abandoned his plans, and commenced the study of law with J. H. Donly, Esq., of Franklin, Pennsylvania, in 1871, and pursuing his studies for

the required time, was admitted to the Venango county bar in January, 1873, under the late Judge Trunkey, and in the month of April of the same year he located in Butler, where he has since practiced his profession, with the exception of an absence of five years, from 1883 to 1888, owing to ill health. During his absence he was located at Warren, Pennsylvania, and in the City of Seattle, State of Washington, and a portion of the time was engaged in the lumber business in connection with the practice of his profession. Since his admission to the Venango county bar he has been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, United States district court, in many of the courts of the surrounding counties, and the courts of the State of Washington, in all of which he has practiced. He was appointed United States register in bankruptcy in 1878, which office he filled up to 1883. He has been in the active practice of his profession for upwards of twenty-one years. After his return to Butler in 1888, he purchased a tract of land in the east end of the borough, which he laid out in lots and which is now built up with fine residences, and known as "Goucherville." He is prominently identified with the Citizens' Gas Company, which successfully compelled a reduction of gas rates in the borough, and one of the prime movers in the effort to free the borough from the grasp of foreign corporations, and lends his energy to every enterprise for the improvement of the town. He filled the office of school director of the borough for over four years, three years of which time he served as secretary of the board. Mr. Goucher was married to Bertha A. Kehn, of Hamburg, New York, August 1, 1876, and by this union has three children living: Edwin L.; Laura Dee, and Mabel E., and one, Edith May, deceased. Politically, he is a Republican, and has taken an active interest in political affairs. He is recognized as a sound lawyer and a safe advocate, and stands well in the community, both as a citizen and as an attorney.

W. H. Lusk, attorney at law, is a son of Dr. Amos and Agnes S. Lusk, and was born in Harmony, Pennsylvania. His father was for many years one of the leading physicians of Butler county. Our subject was educated in the public schools and at a local academy, read law with W. D. Brandon, of Butler, and was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1877. He at once commenced practice, and has since grown into a lucrative business. He is a Republican, but takes no active interest in political matters. Mr. Lusk was married in 1882, to Matilda, a daughter of Adam Endres, of Jackson township, Butler county, and has three children: Arthur H., Amy M., and James L. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church.

Alexander M. Cornelius was born in Worth township, Butler county, December 6, 1844, and spent his boyhood days upon his father's farm. He received his primary education in the public schools, subsequently attended West Sunbury Academy, and completed his studies at Witherspoon Institute. He afterward engaged in business in a music house in Pittsburg, then became clerk in the prothonotary's office at Butler, read law with W. D. Brandon, and was admitted to the bar in 1880. Since his admission to the bar he has continued in the active duties of his profession, and enjoys a good practice. Mr. Cornelius was married in June, 1869, to Mary M. Kelly, a daughter of Amaziah Kelly, of

Worth township. Six children have blessed this union, as follows: Clara E.; Raymond S.; Margaret J.; Florence; Lawrence K., and Jesse. Mr. Cornelius is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, and a trustee in that body. In politics, he has always been a Democrat, but has never taken any active interest in political affairs, preferring to devote his attention to the practice of his profession.

Oliver D. Thompson, attorney at law, was born in the borough of Butler, September 24, 1855, son of Col. John M. and Anna L. Thompson. After receiving a common school education, he attended Witherspoon Institute, and graduated at Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, in 1875, and at Yale College in 1879. He read law with his father in Butler, and was admitted to the bar in June, 1880. The following November he was admitted to the Pittsburg bar, where he is now engaged in practice. Mr. Thompson married Kate W. Dresser, a daughter of John W. Dresser, of Castine, Maine, January 26, 1881, and has one child, Donald. In politics he is a Republican. He was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in 1883, and to the United States Court in 1893.

James M. Galbreath, attorney at law, is the second son of Robert Galbreath, and was born upon the homestead in Winfield township, Butler county, September 27, 1852. He is a grandson of William Galbreath, and great-grandson of Robert Galbreath, the pioneer. He received a common school education, and subsequently attended Slate Lick Academy, Armstrong county, and Witherspoon Institute, of Butler. He then entered Princeton College, where he was graduated in 1880, and commenced reading law with W. D. Brandon, of Butler. In 1882 he was admitted to the bar, began practice in Butler, and in 1884 formed a partnership with J. B. McJunkin, which is still in existence. In politics he is a Republican, and has served as school director for six years. In 1882 he married Sallie E., daughter of John Mitchell, of Butler, and has the following children: Edith, Irene and John. Mr. Galbreath is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, and one of the trustees of that society.

James N. Moore, attorney at law, was born on the old Moore homestead in Worth township, Butler county, August 23, 1859, son of Thomas and Mary Moore. After receiving a common school education he entered Grove City College, where he graduated in 1880. He taught school for four terms, read law under the late Charles McCandless, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1882. Since that time he has been engaged in the practice of his profession, his office being now in the Huselton block. Mr. Moore has always been a stanch supporter of the Republican party; has represented the party as a delegate in State and county conventions, and has been secretary of the county committe a number of times. In 1894 he was one of the Republican nominees for the legislature, and was elected by an overwhelming majority. He is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Butler Lodge, K. of P.

Gabriel Kohler is a native of Binsdorf, Ober-Ampt Sultz, Wurtemberg, Germany, where he was born in 1823. He received a common school education, and subsequently learned the brewer's trade. In 1854 he emigrated to the United States, and settled in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in farming. In

1858 he began operating a brewery in the borough, which he conducted in connection with his farm until 1880, and then retired from active business life. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church. He married in his native place Regenia Schneckenberger, and they are the parents of nine children, eight of whom are living, as follows: Lena, wife of Joseph Rockenstein; Clement; Frank X., attorney at law; Josephine, wife of John Koppler; John; Louis; Mary, and Frances.

Frank X. Kohler, attorney at law, was born in the borough of Butler, Pennsylvania, and is the second son of Gabriel and Regenia Kohler. He received his primary education at St. Peter's parochial school, and subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute. While a student at the latter institution, he commenced reading law with Hon. Charles McCandless, and was admitted to the bar in 1882. He immediately began the practice of his profession, to which he has since given his entire attention. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, a member of St. Peter's Catholic church.

Everett L. Ralston, attorney at law, the eldest son of John and Hannah (McCoy) Ralston, was born at Centreville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, June 7, 1858, and received his primary education in the common schools of his native township. He subsequently attended Mt. Union College, and was graduated at Grove City College in 1881. He read law with the late Judge McCandless, and was admitted to practice in 1883. He began the practice of the law in the fall of 1884, since which time he has been engaged in the active duties of his profession. In October, 1887, he formed a partnership with John M. Greer, under the firm name of Greer & Ralston, which continued until Judge Greer took his seat on the bench, January 1, 1893. Soon after the election of Judge Greer to the bench his son became a member of the firm under the firm name of Ralston & Greer. Politically, Mr. Ralston is a Democrat, and one of the active members of that party. He is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church, and is connected with Butler Lodge, K. of P. He married, in 1888, Carrie Helen, daughter of W. P. Smith, of Centre township, Butler county, and has three children: Charles E; John P., and Robert C.

James B. Mates, youngest son of Amos and Mary A. Mates, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, September 2, 1859, and reared in Penn township, whither his parents removed soon after the birth of our subject. He was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, and taught school from 1880 to 1885, during which time he read law with Charles McCandless, and was admitted to the bar in 1883. In 1886 he opened a law office in Butler, where he has since been engaged in the active duties of his profession. He is one of the leading Republicans of the county, has served several years on the county committee, was chairman in 1887, and in 1890 was appointed census supervisor of the Tenth district, the duties of which office he discharged in a satisfactory manner. In November, 1892, he was elected to the legislature, and was known in that body as a useful and hard-working member. Mr. Mates was married August 31, 1887, to Nordena, daughter of A. C. Wilson of Butler. Three children have blessed this union: Ada C.; Helen, and James. The fam-

ily are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler, and Mr. Mates is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F.

ALFRED M. CHRISTLEY, attorney at law, was born in Cherry township, Butler county, January 13, 1860. He is a son of Thomas F. and Ann C. (Hill) Christley, and a grandson of John and Elizabeth (Smith) Christley, a sketch of whom appears among the biographical data of Slippery Rock and Cherry townships. His primary education was obtained in the common schools, and he afterwards attended West Sunbury Academy and Grove City College. He read law in the office of Col. John M. Thompson, of Butler, and was admitted to the bar in 1888. He has since been engaged in the active duties of his profession, and has built up a fair practice. Mr. Christley is one of the active Republicans of the county, has been chairman and secretary of the county committee, and has always given his earnest support to the candidates and measures of his party. He is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F. and Butler Lodge, K. of P.

ALBERT T. SCOTT was born in Kiskiminetas township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, October 21, 1856, son of Samuel and Mary S. Scott. His father, a native of Donmacmay, County Tyrone, Ireland, was born November 11, 1821, came to Pennsylvania with his parents in 1824, and settled in Kiskiminetas township, Armstrong county, where he grew to manhood. He learned the stonecutter's trade, and worked at that business the greater part of his life. He married Mary S. Erwin, a daughter of James S. Erwin, of Steubenville, Ohio, May 5, 1853, and became the father of six children, as follows: Sherman W.; Albert T.; Henry G. C., deceased; Mary J.; Samuel E., and James F., the two last mentioned being dead. Mr. Scott died on August 24, 1891, and his wife January 23, 1893. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native township, and received his primary education in the public schools. He afterwards attended Elder's Ridge Academy, Indiana county, and the Ohio Normal University, at Ada, Hardin county, Ohio, leaving the latter inslitution in 1884. He then taught school, and in April, 1886, commenced to read law in the office of McJunkin & Galbreath, of Butler. He was admitted to the bar in the spring 1888, and has since been engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. Scott was married on June 5, 1892, to Jean Covode, a daughter of Henry Taylor, of Indiana county. They are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. In June, 1887, Mr. Scott enlisted in Company E., Fifteenth Regiment, N. G. P., and is now orderly sergeant of his company. He is a member of the K. O. T. M., and takes an active interest in public affairs.

THOMPSON M. BAKER was born in Beaver township, Beaver county, April 24, 1862, son of George K. and Martha Baker. He received his primary education in the public schools, afterwards attended West Sunbury Academy, and Grove City College, and finished his classical course at the former institution, where he received the first diploma granted by that school. In 1885 he commenced reading law with John M. Russell, was admitted to practice in September, 1888, and became a member of the firm of Coulter & Baker. He has

since continued in the active duties of his profession. On February 24, 1887, he married Nannie E. Painter, a daughter of Simon P. Painter, of Clay township, and has two children, Clarence D., and Stella G.

James W. Hutchison, attorney at law, was born June 17, 1864, in Parker township, Butler county Pennsylvania, son of James G. and Susan (Daubenspeck) Hutchison. His grandfather, William Hutchison, was one of the early settlers of Parker township, where he cleared a farm upon which he resided until his death. He was the father of three children: Rebecca J.; William, and James G. The last was born upon the old homestead and grew to manhood under the parental roof. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in 1864, from injuries received in the service. His family consisted of two children: Emma, deceased, and James W. The latter received a common school education, and, in 1879, entered North Washington Academy. In 1881 he entered Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1887. He also took a commercial course at Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburg. In September, 1887, he entered the office of S. F. Bowser, with whom he read law, and was admitted to the bar, December 2, 1889. Since that date he has been engaged in the practice of his profession. Politically, he is a Republican; is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F.; of Butler Lodge, Number 211, K. of P., and is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church. In 1889 he married Ida M. Campbell, daughter of John H. Campbell of Butler, and has two children.

A. B. C. McFarland, attorney at law, was born June 20, 1852, in Bellaire, Ohio, son of Andrew and Margaret (Marshall) McFarland. His primary education was obtained in the public schools, and he subsequently attended Westminster College, at New Wilmington, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, and Monmouth College, Illinois, graduating from the latter in 1875. He then entered Allegheny Theological Seminary, Allegheny City, and graduated from that institution in 1878. He was licensed to preach the gospel in April of that year, and ordained the following September, by the Butler Presbytery of the United Presbyterian church. He was at once called as pastor of the Fairview church, where he remained eleven years, and then entered the law office of the late Judge McCandless. He was admitted to the bar May 25, 1891, and has since been engaged in the practice of his profession in Butler. In politics, he is a Republican, and takes an active interest in the success of the principles and measures of his party.

Elmer E. Young was born in Summit township, Butler county, April 9, 1864, son of Simon P. and Eliza Young. He was educated in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute, graduated from the latter institution in 1885, and then entered Washington and Jefferson College, where he spent two years. In 1887 he began the study of law in the office of the late Judge McCandless, was admitted to the bar in June, 1890, and has since been engaged in active practice. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Young was married June 28, 1894, to Miss Bella A. Moore, daughter of Mrs. Mary M. Moore, of Butler, Pennsylvania.

JOHN D. MARSHALL, eldest son of James M. and Ruth A. (Riddle) Marshall, was born June 20, 1860, at Prospect, Butler county. He received a good education, and taught in the public schools of the county for several years. He later read law with W. D. Brandon, of Butler, and was admitted to the bar in 1882, since which time he has been engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. Marshall was married on December 25, 1880, to Margaret Leise, and has two daughters, Anna M. and Margaret. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler.

WILLIAM C. FINDLEY, attorney at law, was born in Clay township, Butler county, March 23, 1854, and is the eldest child of Samuel and Sarah Findley. He was educated in the common schools and at West Sunbury Academy and Grove City College, taught school for eight terms, and read law with George A. and A. T. Black of Butler. He was admitted to the bar June 3, 1878, and is now engaged in the practice of his profession at Butler. He has taken an active interest in politics, was chairman of the Republican county committee in 1888, and a delegate to the State Convention in 1889. The Findley family are Presbyterians, and have always been liberal supporters of religious, benevolent and educational institutions.

DR. TENSARD ROBINSON DEWOLF was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, October 16, 1824, eldest son of Dr. Henry C. DeWolf, a native of Hartford, Connecticut, and a pioneer physician of Butler. He obtained his primary education in the public schools, and at the Butler Academy, the latter institution being partly supported by the State. In 1841 he became a student at Canonsburg College, and graduated from that institution in the fall of 1844. He then entered his father's office as a student of medicine, subsequently attended lectures at the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, during the winters of 1848–49 and 1850, graduating towards the close of the latter year's course. He then entered into partnership with his father in the practice of medicine, which continued until his father's death, July 24, 1854. He still prosecuted the duties of his profession until a short time before his death, which occurred August 24, 1859, from abscess of the lungs, leaving a widow and one son, Henry. Dr. DeWolf was married in June, 1852, to Mary A. McElvaine, a daughter of Robert McElvaine, one of the early settlers of Butler county. Her father was a man of some literary attainments, and belonged to a family well known in this part of the State. Mrs. DeWolf survived her husband many years. She and husband were members of the Presbyterian church, and lived and died in that faith.

HENRY DEWOLF, only son of Dr. Tensard Robinson DeWolf, was born in the borough of Butler, June 17, 1853, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He learned the printer's trade in the office of the Butler *Eagle*, spending three years in that business. In November, 1872, he took a position on the Pennsylvania railroad as fireman, and in 1876 as brakeman, was promoted to the position of baggage master, and in 1886 to that of conductor, which he has filled up to the present In February, 1875, he married Sarah E. Cuthbert, of Butler, who bore him two children, Tensard and Eleanor. Mrs. DeWolf died in January, 1890, and in January, 1891, he was married to Anna B. Cupps, of Butler, to which union has been born one child, Henry

Edwin. Mr. DeWolf is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a stanch Republican.

Abraham M. Neyman, second son of John and Mary Neyman, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1791, and came with his parents to Butler county during the War of 1812. He remained with his father on the farm in Centre township for a time, but subsequently engaged in keeping tavern on the site of the Arlington Hotel, in Butler. He married Eleanor, daughter of Thomas McCleary, of Centre township, in October, 1823, and had two children: Thomas, and A. M. He and his son Thomas were killed, April 12, 1827, while visiting his parents in Centre township, by a falling tree that was blown down during a storm. Like his father he was an ardent Whig, and in religion, an adherent of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. A. M. Neyman, only living child of Abraham M. and Eleanor Neyman, was born in the borough of Butler, February 6, 1826, and was a little more than one year old when his father was killed. He grew to manhood in Butler, and was educated at the old Butler Academy. At the age of sixteen he commenced teaching and taught in Cranberry, Centre and Butler townships, and later taught the English branches, under Dr. White, in the Butler Academy. In 1845 he went to Zanesville, Ohio, and commenced reading medicine with Dr. Washington Morehead, also clerked in his drug store for two years. In 1850 he entered the office of Dr. N. J. Randolph, of Butler, and attended lectures at the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, in the winter of 1850–51. In the latter year he commenced practice in partnership with Dr. Randolph, and for the past forty-four years he has continued in the active duties of his profession. In the spring of 1853 he graduated from the Western Reserve Medical College, and then resumed practice alone. Being without means, James Campbell assisted him to buy a horse and sufficient drugs to use in his practice, while Samuel G. Purvis erected his office, and to these two men he feels indebted for his start in life. There is perhaps no member of the medical profession in Butler county with a wider reputation than Dr. Neyman, as his many years of practice have made him known in nearly every household. He has built up through the passing years a large and lucrative business, and is still one of the busiest men in the profession. In politics, he has been a Republican since the war, prior to which he was a Democrat. He has been a member of the United Presbyterian church since its organization, and a trustee for many years. Dr. Neyman married Emmeline, a daughter of Gen. John N. and Eliza J. (Potts) Purviance. She died December 31, 1887, leaving a family of five children, as follows: Eleanor, wife of Charles S. Haines, of Boston, Massachusetts; Eliza J.; George P.; Abraham M., and Alonzo H. The Doctor has been living on the site of his present home over sixty-six years, the lot and original residence having been purchased by his mother in January, 1829.

Samuel Graham, physician and surgeon, was born January 31, 1836, in Butler, Pennsylvania, son of John B. and Sarah (Gilkey) Graham, and grandson of Robert Graham, one of the first settlers of the borough. He received his early education in the public schools of his native town, and subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. L. R.

McCurdy, and at the age of twenty-three he entered the National Medical College at Washington, D. C., where he remained two years. In 1861 he answered the call of his country and enlisted in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served three months. He then entered Jefferson Medical College from which he graduated in March, 1862. He again entered the service of the United States as assistant surgeon of the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, with which he remained until 1863. In 1864 he joined the United States Medical Staff of Emory Hospital, Washington, D. C., and was subsequently appointed surgeon of the Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, with which regiment he remained until the close of the war. Returning to Butler, he resumed the duties of his profession, and since that time has enjoyed a lucrative practice. Dr. Graham is a member of the county and state medical societies, and has been a member of the United States pension board of this district for ten years, and is now its president. He has been connected with the school board of Butler for fifteen years and ranks as the senior member of that body. In politics, he was a Republican up to 1881, but since that time he has affiliated with the Democratic party and is one of its never failing workers. He is a member of the A. G. Reed Post, Number 102, G. A. R., and also of the I. O. O. F., K. of P., and the A. O. U. W. Dr. Graham was married in 1867, to Eleanor, daughter of Robert and Eleanor Cunningham, and has two daughters, Mary and Eleanor. He and family are members of the Presbyterian church. Among his professional brethren, Dr. Graham takes a high rank, and, as a citizen, he commands the respect of the community in which his life has been spent.

Dr. N. M. Hoover was born in North Buffalo township, Armstrong county, March 4, 1836, son of David L. and Mary Hoover. He was educated in the common schools and at Freeport Academy, and taught in the public schools of the county for some years. He began reading medicine under Dr. Thomas Magill, of Freeport, and attended lectures at the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, in the winter of 1860–61. Soon after the breaking out of the Rebellion, he enlisted in the Sixty-first Ohio Volunteers, and was detailed in charge of the medical supplies of the Third Brigade, Third Division, Eleventh Army Corps, and served in that capacity for two years and a half. Returning home he resumed his medical studies, attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and graduated from that institution in March, 1865. He was then commissioned by Governor Curtin assistant surgeon of the Eighty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers,, and served until the close of the war. In the fall of 1865 he located at North Washington, Butler county, where for more than twenty-two years he enjoyed a large and lucrative practice, and became one of the best known physicians in the county. In 1879 he took a post graduate course at Jefferson College, and has always kept well abreast of the improvements and discoveries in medical science. In 1888 Dr. Hoover removed to Butler, where he has since continued in the active duties of his profession. On April 24, 1866, he married Mrs. Susan Bates, nee Buffington, who died in 1881. He was again married, in 1883, to Sarah Halderman, of North Washington. Dr. Hoover is an ardent Republican, is a member of the Masonic order, and the I. O. O. F., and is one of the charter members of the U. V. L., of Butler. He is a

member of the State and county medical societies, and has filled all the offices in the latter. Outside of his profession he has devoted considerable attention to oil producing, and put down the first well on the McClelland farm, in Concord township, which came in at 550 barrels per day. He has been quite successful as an operator, and is the owner of considerable valuable oil property. Dr. Hoover is a director in the Butler County National Bank, and is recognized as one of the leading and progressive citizens of the community.

Sylvester D. Bell, physician and surgeon, was born in Perry township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, June 30, 1847, son of Samuel S. and Margaret (McClymonds) Bell, and grandson of Samuel Bell, a native of Westmoreland county, and an early settler of Washington township, Butler county. He was reared in this county, obtained a common school education, and afterwards attended West Sunbury Academy and Witherspoon Institute. He commenced reading medicine under Dr. T. M. McMillan, of Fairview township, and attended lectures at the medical department of the Western Reserve College, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1870–71 and 1873–74, graduating in March, 1874. Dr. Bell commenced practice at Millerstown, Butler county, where he continued in the active duties of his profession until May, 1890, when he removed to Butler, and has since built up a very large and lucrative practice. He is one of the surgeons for the Pittsburg and Western Railroad Company, and his practice equals that of any other physician in his native county. He has been president of the Butler County Medical Society for one year, and has filled the office of secretary and treasurer of the same for three terms. He is a member of the State Medical Society and of the American Medical Association, and was vice-president of the former in 1891–92, and is also a member of the National Association of Railway Surgeons. Dr. Bell was married December 21, 1871, to Mary E., a daughter of William Alexander, an early settler of Fairview township. Seven children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Harry A., Lana A., Charles E., Bessie, Gertrude, Margaret Helen and Sylvester D. He and family are connected with Grace Lutheran church. The Doctor is an active Republican, has served as chairman of the county committee, was elected to the legislature in 1881, and was one of the presidential electors in 1892.

John E. Byers, physician and surgeon, was born in Summit township, Butler county, June 15, 1848, was educated in the common schools, at Witherspoon Institute and at Iron City College. He read medicine with Dr. A. M. Neyman, attended lectures at the Medical University, New York, and graduated in 1878. He commenced practice in Butler, and has since continued in the active duties of his profession, having built up a large and successful practice. He has been surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Butler for fifteen years, and is one of the well-known physicians of the county. He is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, also of the State Medical Society, and of the National Association of Railway Surgeons, and takes a decided interest in the growth and development of his profession. Dr. Byers was married, October 10, 1878, to Mary Katharine Stephenson, a daughter of James Stephenson, of Summit township. They are members of the Presbyterian church of Butler, in which the Doctor fills the office of trustee. In politics, he is a Republican, and

has served in the borough council. He is a member of the K. of P. and the W. of W., and is a charter member and a director of the Citizens Natural Gas Company.

Samuel M. Bippus, physician and surgeon, was born in Oakland township, Butler county, October 19, 1861, son of Capt. John G. and Rachel (Myers) Bippus, natives of Wurtemburg, Germany. He attended the common schools of his native township, and Sunbury Academy, and graduated at Waynesburg College in 1879. He studied medicine with Dr. Samuel Graham of Butler, attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, and graduated from that institution in 1884. He at once commenced practice, but owing to a severe illness, gave up the duties of his profession until 1886, when he located in Butler, where he has since built up a lucrative business, and is recognized as one of the leading young physicians of the county. Dr. Bippus is a member of Butler County Medical Society, also of the State Medical Society. He is connected with Butler Council, Number 242, Jr. O. U. A. M., and in politics, he is a Republican. He married Nannie, daughter of John Mitchell of Butler, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

Lysander Black, physician and surgeon, was born in Marion township, Butler county, May 16, 1854, son of James and Nancy (Russell) Black, and grandson of John Black, one of the first settlers of Marion township. He was reared on the homestead farm and attended the district school of his neighborhood until 1865, when his parents removed to Franklin, Pennsylvania, where he completed his studies in the schools of that place. At the age of seventeen he engaged in the oil business, and subsequently operated in the oil and gas fields of Venango, McKean and Butler counties. In 1883 he was engaged in drilling gas wells in Allegheny, Westmoreland and Washington counties. He commenced the study of medicine with Drs. Walter and Benninghoff of Bradford, Pennsylvania, in 1881–82, but later engaged in the natural gas enterprise. In 1886 he entered the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1890. He at once located in Butler, and has since continued in the active duties of his profession. Dr. Black was married January 1, 1874, to Lizzie Emery, a daughter of Robert Emery of this county. She died June 5, 1885, leaving three children: Jessie M., Lois and Alfred E. He is a member of the Masonic order, being connected with the Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, and is also a member of the B. P. O. E. of Butler. Since beginning practice Dr. Black has built up a large professional business, and is one of the busiest as well as most popular physicians in the borough.

Joseph Forrester, physician and surgeon, was born in Peterboro, Province of Ontario, Canada, July 4, 1860, a son of Thomas and Catharine A. (Horton) Forrester, natives of England. In 1865 his parents settled in Erie, Pennsylvania, where he was reared and received a common school education. He subsequently attended Edinboro' State Normal School, from which he graduated in 1884. He then taught for one year as principal of West Springfield Academy, in Erie county, and two years as principal of the public schools of Mt. Alton, McKean county, and was afterwards general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Johnstown and Butler for two years. He commenced the study of medicine with

Dr. John E. Byers, of Butler, and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1891. Dr. Forrester at once located in Butler, practicing with Dr. Byers the first year, and has since built up a gratifying practice. He is secretary of the Butler County Medical Society, and a member of the State Medical Society, and is one of the well known young physicians of the borough. Dr. Forrester is a member of the Presbyterian church, and takes an active part in church work. He is also connected with the K. of P., and the K. O. T. M., of which he is tent physician. Politically, he is a Republican.

Dr. McCurdy Bricker, son of John Bricker, was born on the homestead in Buffalo township, Butler county, April 2, 1868. After receiving a common school education, he attended the academies at Slate Lick, Tarentum, and Freeport, and then taught school for six years. In the meantime he concluded to enter the medical profession, and commenced his studies in the Medical Department of the Western University of Pennsylvania, and completed them at the Medical College of Indianapolis, where he graduated on March 26, 1894. He soon afterwards became associated with Dr. N. M. Hoover, of Butler, and has continued in practice in this borough down to the present. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M., and in politics, is an adherent of the Republican party.

Stephen A. Johnston, D. D. S., third son of Jesse and Sarah J. (Allen) Johnston, was born September 6, 1846, in Portersville, Pennsylvania. He received his primary education in the common schools, subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute, and graduated from Iron City College, Pittsburg, in 1868. He studied dentistry with Levere & Moore, of Butler, and in 1873 located in Downington, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he practiced his profession for over seven years. In 1881 he graduated from the College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, and in 1882 he located in Butler, where he has since built up a lucrative practice. Dr. Johnston was married in 1870, to Ocilla, a daughter of William Stoops, of Butler township, to which union nine children have been born: Frank A.; Sarah E.; Minnie O.; Charles W.; Flora M.; Wesley R.; Marion; James C., and Irene C. Dr. Johnston has given considerable attention to oil producing, in which he has been quite successful, and is president of the Producers Torpedo Company. Politically, he is an independent voter, and is recognized as one of the leading professional men in the community.

Volney McAlpine, dentist, was born in Crowland, Welland county, Ontario, Canada, May 27, 1830, son of Christopher and Sarah (Houx) McAlpine, the former a native of New York and the latter of Maryland. After receiving a good English education, he commenced the study of dentistry under Dr. Brown, of Niagara Falls, and later studied under Dr. Whitney, of Buffalo, and others. He commenced practice at Welland, Ontario, subsequently removed to London, Ontario, whence he returned to Welland, in 1864. In 1865 he located at Petroleum Centre, Venango county, Pennsylvania, removed to Rouseville, in 1871, to Petrolia, in 1874, and to Duke Centre, McKean county, in 1880. The same year he settled at Cleveland, Ohio, where he practiced his profession until 1888, and then went to Sitka, Alaska. He remained there in practice until the end of 1888, returned again at the end of 1889, and remained until October, 1890,

and then came direct to Butler, where he has since built up a lucrative business. For some years Dr. McAlpine was a member of the Erie Dental Association. He was married in 1853, to Lavina, daughter of William Chapman, of Pelham, Canada, and they are the parents of the following children: Archie, a dentist of Bradford; William, a physician of New York City; Amos C., a dentist of Warren; Kenneth; Victor H., and Jasmine, a physician of Wilkinsburg. He is an attendant of the Presbyterian church of Butler, and is connected with the K. of H., and the Royal Templars. In early life he was a Republican, but is at present an ardent supporter of the Prohibition party.

William Purvis, a native of Ireland, immigrated to Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, whence he removed to Westmoreland county, about 1812, and settled on a farm. Owing to financial losses, he sold his farm about 1821 and came to Middlesex township, Butler county, where he purchased 120 acres of land, upon which he spent the remaining years of his life. He married Isabel Dickson, who died in January, 1860. Mr. Purvis died on December 25, 1850. Their children are as follows: Nancy, who married Andrew Fulton; Isabel, who married Henry Sefton; Oliver; Samuel G.; Mary Ann, who married Robert White; Sarah; William; Robert; Agnes, who married John Dodds, and Levi, all of whom are dead. Mr. Purvis and wife were members of the Covenanter church, and were buried in Glade Run United Presbyterian cemetery.

Samuel G. Purvis was born May 28, 1808, in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, eldest son of William and Isabel Purvis. He resided on the farm with his parents until the age of twenty-three, and then went to Pittsburg to learn the carpenter's trade. In 1832 he came to Butler, where he continued to work at his trade for two years, a part of the time in the construction of the Presbyterian church. About 1834 he commenced contracting and building, and continued the same until 1867, in which year the firm of S. G. Purvis & Company was formed, his son, Joseph L., becoming a partner. In 1869 they embarked in the planing mill and lumber business, which they carried on in connection with contracting and building. They abandoned the latter line of trade in 1878, but continued the lumber and planing mill business, which has grown from small beginnings into one of the leading manufacturing institutions of Butler county. In 1876 Levi O. was taken into the business, which is still carried on, under the old firm name, by Joseph L. and Levi O. Purvis. Mr. Purvis was a stanch Democrat, served upon the school board, and filled the office of justice of the peace for sixteen years. He was a lifelong member of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, and an elder and trustee in that organization for many years. He was prominent in public matters and always took a commendable interest in the growth and progress of his adopted home. He was at one time the owner of the Democratic *Herald*, and one of the original stockholders in the Butler and Allegheny Plank Road Company. He was one of the projectors and first president of the Butler Water Company, and was also president of the Butler Mutual Insurance Company from its organization until his death. Mr. Purvis married Elizabeth Logan, a daughter of Joseph Logan, of Middlesex township, and their children are as follows: Joseph L.; Isabel; Samuel D; William I., deceased;

S. G. Norris

Levi O., and Sarah J., deceased wife of Harrison Black. He died on May 28, 1879, and his wife, in April, 1892.

Joseph L. Purvis, eldest son of Samuel G. and Elizabeth Purvis, was born in Butler, October 4, 1838. He obtained a public school education, learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and entered into partnership with the latter in 1867. In that year the firm established a planing mill and two years later added the lumber business, both of which they have since conducted. Mr. Purvis is one of the original members of the Home Natural Gas Company, is president of the Butler Savings Bank, and superintendent of the Butler County Agricultural Society. He is one of the leading and useful members of the United Presbyterian church, of Butler, was one of its trustees for a number of years, and chairman of the building committee in the erection of the new church building. In politics, he is a Democrat, has been a member of the borough council, and has served on the school board for fourteen years. In 1869 Mr. Purvis married Mary Ellen Bailey, a daughter of E. H. Bailey, of Parker, and their children are as follows: Mary M.; Samuel H.; William B.; Wilson L., and Joseph D.

Levi O. Purvis, third son of Samuel G. and Elizabeth Purvis, was born in Butler, May 12, 1846, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1876 he became a member of the firm of S. G. Purvis & Company, with which he has since been connected. He was married to Zoe, daughter of Capt. Francis Dempsey, of Erie, Pennsylvania, of which union have been born to them five children: Harold, Clara, Florence, May and Bessie. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church. In politics, Mr. Purvis is a Democrat, and has been a member of the school board for five years. He is connected with Butler Lodge, F. & A. M., also with the A. O. U. W.

Samuel D. Purvis, son of Samuel G. and Elizabeth Purvis, was born in the borough of Butler, January 20, 1842, received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade with his father. He afterwards worked at his trade in Pittsburg and Franklin, but returned to Butler in 1865, and has since been foreman in the sash and door factory of S. G. Purvis & Company. On February 20, 1866, he married Valeria Evans, a daughter of Abijah Evans, of Centre township,—one of the California Argonauts of '49,—who is the mother of the following children: Annie E.; Ella; Perry E., deceased; Frank; Alfred B.; Samuel G., and Gracey Ferguson. Mr. Purvis is an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and is a leading member of that denomination. In politics, he is a Democrat, and at present is a member of the school board. He is a director in the Building and Loan Association, and has always been active in educational and religious work.

Jacob Mechling, Sr., was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1770, and was a son of Jacob and Catherine Mechling, natives of Germany, who settled in Northampton county, whence they removed to Westmoreland county, where they died, November 1, 1827, and August 18, 1832, respectively, each having reached the ripe old age of eighty-four years. Their son Jacob enlisted in the United States army, and in 1792 was sent with his company to Chamber's Station, Westmoreland county, to guard the settlers

against the Indians. In 1796, after the Indian troubles had subsided, he came to Butler county and purchased a tract of land in what is now Washington township, whence he removed to the borough of Butler and engaged in the hotel business. He was also one of the pioneer merchants of the town. In 1803 he was elected county commissioner, and in 1804 a member of the legislature, and served continuously by re-elections up to 1808. In 1809 he was appointed prothonotary, in which office he served nine years. He was also a justice of the peace in 1804. He served several terms in the council, and was chief burgess of the borough for three years. He took an active interest in public affairs, and was widely known among the pioneers. A Democrat in politics, he voted for Washington in 1792, and for every Democratic president from Jefferson to Buchanan. In religious belief he was a Lutheran, and died in that faith, January 10, 1861. Mr. Mechling married Mary Magdalene Drum, December 30, 1794, and their children were as follows: Jacob, born October 20, 1795; Susanna, July 8, 1797, married John McCleary, and subsequently a Mr. Cole; George, June 3, 1799; Simon, September 16, 1801; Philip, August 20, 1803; Catherine B., March 3, 1806, deceased wife of Judge Joseph Buffington; Christian, January 24, 1808; Benjamin, March 28, 1810; Henry, March 22, 1812; Samuel, June 21, 1814, and Thomas, August 30, 1816, the last being the only survivor of the family.

Jacob Mechling, Jr., eldest son of Jacob and Mary Magdalene Mechling, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, October 20, 1795, and died in Butler September 11, 1873. He succeeded to the hotel business of his father, and, like the latter, was one of the leading men of his day. He carried on the hotel up to 1865, when he retired from active business. Politically, he was a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and served as associate judge, prothonotary, and treasurer of Butler county, and was also chief burgess of Butler in 1849. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and served as lieutenant of a company from Butler, which was stationed at Black Rock, on the Niagara river. In early life he was connected with the Lutheran church, but in later years united with the Protestant Episcopal church of Butler, and was a leading member of that body, and for many years a vestryman and senior warden. Mr. Mechling married Jane, a daughter of John Thompson, and sister of the late chief justice, James Thompson. She died in May, 1872, the mother of the following children: Mary J., deceased wife of L. L. Lord; Susan D., wife of Col. Archibald Blakeley of Pittsburg; William T., who graduated from West Point, was a colonel in the regular army, and now resides in Texas; Jacob J., of California; Simon S., deceased, and Joseph B., of Butler township.

Simon Mechling, son of Jacob and Jane (Thompson) Mechling, was born September 16, 1834, in Butler, Pennsylvania, and received a common school education in the schools of that borough. He was employed for many years in the various offices in the court house, and died September 30, 1866. He married Elizabeth Ziegler, and by this union they were the parents of three children: William T.; Josephine, wife of J. O. Jackson of Franklin, and George S., of Butler. Mrs. Mechling is a resident of the borough. Politically he was a Republican, and was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Col. William T. Mechling, eldest son of Simon and Elizabeth (Ziegler) Mechling, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, April 5, 1856. He learned the printer's trade in the office of the Democratic *Herald*, at which he worked for two years after serving his apprenticeship. He then engaged in clerking for various persons in the oil field, and subsequently filled the position of first deputy clerk of courts under Cochran and Wright for four years. He was afterwards bookkeeper for S. G. Purvis & Company eight years, and filled a similar position with the Jarecki Manufacturing Company, and now occupies the position of assistant manager with the Oil Well Supply Company. In 1886 he was elected to the council, and served in that body six years, being president during this time. He was elected with others of that period on the question of public improvements, independent of party, and during his service the street paving, sewering, lighting and many other improvements were carried out by the council and the town has since become quite modernized. Colonel Mechling was one of the promoters and original stockholders of the Armory Building, and in many other ways has shown his public enterprise. He is one of the leading Democrats of Butler county, and takes a deep interest in the success of his party. He joined Company A, Old Thirteenth Regiment National Guard, served two years as a non-commissioned officer, and was then promoted to second lieutenant of Company E, Sixteenth Regiment, and afterwards to first lieutenant, serving eight years in those two ranks. He was then elected captain of Company E, Fifteenth Regiment, and subsequently colonel, which position he now holds. He served in the Pittsburg riots of 1877 with the Thirteenth Regiment, and spent seventy-one days at Homestead in 1892, with the Fifteenth Regiment, being provost marshal of the town during that period. Colonel Mechling was married April 10, 1878, to Mary E., daughter of Hon. J. T. McJunkin, and they are the parents of five children: Mary E., Martha Helen, Clara Magaw, Georgia R. and Margaret L. He is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F., also of Butler Lodge, Number 170, B. P. O. E. Both he and his wife are members of the Protestant Episcopal church of Butler.

Robert Graham, Sr., was a native of Dauphin county, Pennsylvania. His father immigrated from Scotland in the last century and settled close to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where Robert was born. After arriving at manhood Robert removed to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, and about 1797 came to Butler county and purchased a tract of one hundred acres, which he afterwards sold to the commissioners who laid out a part of the town of Butler thereon. This land was conveyed to the Governor of the State under the act of 1803, in connection with the Cunningham tract of 200 acres. He then removed outside the borough limits and purchased 400 acres, upon which he built a log cabin, now the site of John Berg's residence. Here he resided until his death, in 1849. He married in 1800, Sarah Brown, a sister of Robert Brown, one of the early justices of Middlesex township. His family consisted of the following children: William; Robert; James; John; Samuel; Williamson; Ebenezer; Rachel, who married Festus Young; Mary, who married Daniel Heiner; Sarah, who became the wife of Walker Reed; Lydia, who married John Crawford. Politically, Mr. Graham

was a life-long Whig. In 1832 he was elected a commissioner of Butler county. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church forty years.

JOHN GRAHAM, fourth son of Robert and Sarah Graham, was born in 1809, on the old homestead just outside the borough limits of Butler. He was reared a farmer, and was educated in the common schools. In connection with the farm his father was engaged in the manufacture of brick, and after John grew to manhood he took charge of that business and continued in it until retiring from active life. He located on Main street, Butler, in 1831, on what is now known as the Graham property, where he resided for nearly half a century. He always took an active interest in the prosperity of Butler, and though he never held any public office, was identified with the Whig and Republican parties. He was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church. When the North Western railroad was built, he was one of the original stockholders, and took an active interest in its success. Mr. Graham married Sarah, a daughter of Charles Gilkey, a pioneer of what is now Lawrence county. Their children are as follows: Walter L; Lydia, deceased wife of William Porterfield; Samuel; Robert, an attorney of Meadville; Louisa, wife of Joel Stoddard, of Butler, and three who died in infancy. At his death, in 1893, Mr. Graham was one of the oldest residents of Butler.

WALTER L. GRAHAM, attorney at law, son of John and Sarah Graham, was born in the borough of Butler, October 25, 1831. He attended the common schools of the town, also Witherspoon Institute, and graduated from Jefferson College in 1854. He commenced reading law with Samuel A. Purviance, completed his studies with Charles C. Sullivan, and was admitted to the bar in 1855, since which time he has continued to practice here and at Pittsburg. In politics, he is a Republican, and was a delegate to the National Convention, in 1860, which nominated Lincoln for the presidency. He has been president of the borough council, and has always taken a deep interest in local affairs. Mr. Graham enlisted in Company G, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia, in 1862, that went out to assist in repelling Lee's invasion. He subsequently filled the office of notary public, by appointment of Governor Curtin, for three years. He was married in 1854, to Catherine, daughter of Emanuel Keller, of Cumberland county; she died July 4, 1861, leaving three children: Frank, deceased; Walter H., and Annie V., deceased. His second marriage occurred in 1867, to Margaret A., daughter of John Michael Zimmerman, by which union two children have been born to them: John C., and Margaret. Mr. Graham is a member of the Presbyterian church, and for twenty years he has been a trustee in the Butler organization.

LEWIS WALKER was one of the early settlers of Butler county, where many of his descendants still reside. He was a native of Newburyport, Massachusetts, and came to what is now Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, with the Plumer family, prior to the Revolution. About the time of his majority he located on a tract of 800 acres of land in what is now Cranberry township, Butler county, where he lived until his removal to Butler. He erected several houses on North Main street, was recognized as an enterprising man, and died in 1845. Mr. Walker married a Miss Parks, and their children were as follows: John, who died in Cranberry township; Parks, who died in Wheeling, West Virginia; David, who

was quartermaster of the Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died at Mercersburg, Kentucky; Samuel, who died in Cincinnati, Ohio; Simpson, who died in Washington, D. C.; Nathaniel, who died in Butler; Mary, deceased wife of James Borland, and Keziah, deceased wife of James Frazier.

Nathaniel Walker, son of Lewis Walker, was born on the homestead in Cranberry township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood. In 1846 he removed to Sharon, Mercer county, and the following year came to Butler, where he engaged in the manufacture of brick, purchasing his brother David's yard, which business he continued many years. He was elected treasurer of Butler county in 1862, and also filled the office of justice of the peace for a long period. Mr. Walker was one of the early Abolitionists of the county, and maintained a station on the Underground Railroad for runaway slaves. He was a leading member of the Presbyterian church and active in all good works. He was twice married. His first wife was Grizella, a daughter of John and Jane (Pollock) Crowe, who bore him two children: Samuel and John, of Butler. His second wife was Sarah M. Slater, and their children were: Leonidas, a lawyer of Denver, Colorado; Caroline, wife of W. D. Johnson, of Ohio; Clarence, and Leverett H., first lieutenant in the Fourth United States Artillery. In politics, Mr. Walker was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

Capt. Samuel Walker, son of Nathaniel and Grizella (Crowe) Walker, was born January 19, 1835. He was reared on his father's homestead in Cranberry township until his twelfth year. He subsequently attended school at Witherspoon Institute. In April, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was discharged August 6, 1861. On the 22nd of August, 1862, he joined Company F, One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served with them until March 12, 1864. Captain Walker was commissioned second lieutenant in the Reserve Corps February 20, 1864, and captain March 13, 1865, and was honorably discharged from the service August 27, 1868. He was one of the last twelve soldiers, including General Howard, discharged from the volunteer service. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the regular army September 16, 1868, and was retired from the service December 31, 1870. During the Rebellion Captain Walker participated in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, losing his right leg at the last named battle, May 3, 1863. While in the United States army he was located at Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga and Knoxville, being connected with the Freedmen's Bureau as agent, under General Howard. After retiring from the service he returned to Butler, and was teller in the First National Bank until 1873. In 1890 he was elected tax collector for the borough, which position he has since occupied. Captain Walker married Caroline Zimmerman, a daughter of John Michael Zimmerman, a well remembered citizen of Butler. Two children are the fruits of this union: Samuel and Catherine McC. He is a Republican in politics, a member of Butler Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L., also of the K. of H. and A. O. U. W. Captain Walker is one of the highly respected citizens of Butler, and enjoys the confidence of the community in which he has so long resided.

CLARENCE WALKER, attorney at law, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, March 24, 1848, son of Nathaniel and Sarah (Slater) Walker. He received his primary education in the public schools, afterwards attended Witherspoon Institute, read law with Judge McJunkin, and was admitted to the bar in 1871. He has since been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. Walker was married in 1877, to Elizabeth M., daughter of Hon. E. McJunkin, and their children are as follows: Wayne McJ.; Victor B.; Helen; Lucile; Clarence L., and Elizabeth. He is one of the managers of the Producers Oil Company, and is interested in oil production. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the R. A., and the A. O. U. W.

JOHN WALKER, son of Nathaniel and Grizella (Crowe) Walker, and grandson of Lewis Walker, was born at Tarentum, Pennsylvania, March 17, 1836. His youth was spent upon the old homestead in Cranberry township, and he was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. At the age of sixteen he was apprenticed to learn the tinner's trade in Pittsburg, at which he served four years. At the expiration of this time he continued working at his trade for three years. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months as first sergeant of his company. He participated in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam and Chancellorsville. After his discharge he was appointed to a position in the provost marshal's office in Pittsburg, which he resigned to fill the unexpired term of his father as treasurer of Butler county. At the expiration of his term as treasurer he went to Oil City, and was engaged in buying oil for the refineries, which business he followed until 1865. He was then appointed to a clerkship in the Freedmen's Bureau, and was stationed at Knoxville, Tennessee, under his brother, Captain Walker. In 1865 he returned to Pittsburg, where he engaged in the tinning business until 1873, when he was appointed cashier of the German National Bank, of Millerstown, which position he filled acceptably for twelve years, when the bank wound up its business because of the oil supply giving out in that locality. He then received an appointment as teller in the First National Bank, of Oil City, where he remained six years, and then resigned on account of poor health. In 1891 he returned to Butler to accept his present position as book-keeper for Thomas W. Phillips. Mr. Walker was married October 9, 1873, to Sarah C. Bosler, of Philadelphia, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Politically, he is an ardent Republican, and is connected with the K. of H.

DAVID WALKER, son of Lewis Walker, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, in 1803, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm. He subsequently went to Pittsburg and engaged in the manufacture of brick, and then returned to Butler where he established a brick yard, which he carried on extensively for several years and then sold out to his brother Nathaniel in 1847. He afterwards engaged in buying horses and cattle, which he drove to the New York markets, and continued in this business until 1854, when he obtained a contract on the North Western railroad for making a cut three miles below Butler. In 1861 he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and in February, 1862, died from disease contracted through exposure in the service.

Politically, he was a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and served as justice of the peace of Butler township for ten years. He was one of the early members of the Presbyterian church of Butler, and contributed liberally of his means towards that institution. He married Jane, daughter of John Gilliland, and the following children were born to this union: Elizabeth, who married Rev. D. Hall; Lewis P.; Mary E., wife of William Slack; Kesiah, wife of F. W. Rhoades; Hugh B.; Sarah B., wife of O. D. Lewis, and Martha J., wife of J. W. Yeaman. Mrs. Walker died in 1848, in the faith of the Presbyterian church.

Lewis P. Walker, notary public, was born in the borough of Butler, March 10, 1833, son of David and Jane (Gilliland) Walker, and grandson of Lewis Walker. He received a good common school education, and was afterwards connected with his father's business until 1856, when he engaged in hauling goods between Butler and Pittsburg, which he followed some eight years, or until the construction of the railroad, when he engaged in the oil business at Petroleum Center, Venango county. From 1864 to 1874 he followed the oil business at that point, and then returned to Butler, where he continued the oil and lumber business up to 1880. Mr. Walker has filled the office of justice of the peace in Butler for eleven years, and was subsequently appointed a notary public. He was married in November, 1856, to Mary D., daughter of William Bell, of Warren, Pennsylvania, to which union six children have been born: Emma J.; William S.; Harry L.; Flora B., wife of T. H. Davis; Frank H., and Mary L. Mr. Walker is one of the charter members of Butler Lodge, Number 94, A. O. U. W., and is a member of the Presbyterian church.

James McJunkin was one of the early settlers of Butler county. Three brothers, James, John and William McJunkin, immigrated from the North of Ireland to Pennsylvania about 1796. James and William settled near what is now known as Muddy Creek church, in Butler county, in 1799. The former was born in 1777, and died in 1833. He married for his first wife Asenath Turk. She was born in Ireland in 1788, and her family were among the first settlers of Parker township, Butler county. She was the mother of two sons, David and William. Mr. McJunkin was married to Nancy Turner, in 1818, who became the mother of eight children: Mary; James T.; Hannah; Samuel; John R.; Sarah J.; Martha, and Susan.

James T. McJunkin, eldest son of James and Nancy McJunkin, was born in 1820 upon the old homestead. He received a common school education and in early life taught school for several years. In 1848 he was elected to the office of register and recorder, and re-elected in 1851. He engaged in the insurance business in 1860, and from that date up to 1873 followed that busines in connection with a foundry and marble shop. In 1867 he was elected to the legislature, and served in the sessions of 1868–69. He continued in the insurance business to the time of his death, March 16, 1885. He married Martha, daughter of John Rose, a native of New Jersey, but a resident of Butler, and his family consisted of seven children, as follows: John P., who died February 6, 1866; Agnes D., widow of George A. Black; Mary E., wife of W. T. Mechling; James C.; Loyal S.; Ira, and Minnie, deceased. Politically, he was a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and a leading spirit in public affairs. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G,

Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia, which went out to assist in repelling Lee's invasion of the State. He was a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F., and Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M. In religious belief, he was a Presbyterian.

Loyal S. McJunkin, son of James T. McJunkin, was born in Butler, May 22, 1856. He attended the public schools of his native town, and at his father's death he succeeded to the insurance business, and represents many of the leading companies of England and America. He is a Republican, and was a delegate to the State convention in 1880. He is a member of the Masonic order, and is connected with the Presbyterian church. From 1875 to 1881 he was a member of the National Guard of Pennsylvania.

Ira McJunkin, attorney at law, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1860, son of James T. and Martha McJunkin. He received a common school education, and subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute, and at the age of seventeen he was appointed, by Col. John M. Thompson, to the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland, from which he graduated in 1881. He then spent two years on the Asiatic Station in the United States service, and after his return stood a final examination, and by an act of Congress received an honorable discharge in 1883. In the fall of that year he commenced the study of law with Judge McJunkin, and was admitted to the bar April 10, 1886, since which time he has been engaged in the practice of his profession. In 1892 he was elected district attorney of Butler county, which position he is now filling. He has also held the office of school director for three years. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active interest in the success of the measures and principles of his party. Mr. McJunkin is a member of the Masonic order, also of the I. O. O. F., and is captain of Company E, Fifteenth Regiment National Guard. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian, and both as a lawyer and citizen stands well in the community.

George Vogeley, Sr., was a native of Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, born August 5, 1793. He immigrated to the United States in 1836, first settling in Pittsburg, where he followed the shoemaker's trade three years. He then removed to Butler county and settled at Saxonburg, where he opened a general store, which he carried on in connection with his trade. He subsequently engaged in the hotel business in that village, which he conducted about twenty-five years. In 1866 he retired from active business and removed to Butler, where he died, February 22, 1871. Mr. Vogeley was married in Germany, to Anna E. Mardorf, who became the mother of eleven children, as follows: Conrad, who died in Pittsburg, in 1883; Christopher, who died in Allegheny county, in 1871; John, who died in California, in 1871; William, who died in Butler, in 1873; George, of Butler; Edward, who died in California, in 1850; Anna, widow of Frederick Holeman; Annie G., who died in infancy; Mary E., who also died in youth; Charles C., a resident of San Francisco, and Hannah, wife of Frederick Weigand. Mr. Vogeley was for many years a leading citizen of Saxonburg. In early life he was connected with the Evangelical church, but after locating in Butler county he united with the Reformed church, of which he was an active member for many years. In politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

William Vogeley, fourth son of George and Anna E. Vogeley, was born in Germany, December 10, 1822, and received a limited education in his native town. He worked for his father at Saxonburg, until 1842, when he came to Butler and soon after purchased what was then known as the Rising Sun tavern, a log structure, which stood upon the site of the Vogeley House, now the Arlington. He subsequently erected the latter and conducted it up to 1867, when he retired from active life. Mr. Vogeley was interested largely in real estate, was also extensively engaged in farming, and operated an early coal mine on his farm He was a public-spirited citizen, and took an active interest in local affairs. He was one of the original members of the Reformed church of Butler, and contributed liberally towards the erection of the old church building, on Mifflin street, now occupied by the Baptist congregation. He was one of the first directors of the Butler Savings Bank, and was identified with that institution for many years. Mr. Vogeley married Mary E., daughter of John Oesterling, of Summit township, a native of Germany. Their family consists of eleven children, six of whom died in youth, and five grew to maturity, as follows: David E., who was teller of the Butler Savings Bank, and died in 1875; Annie, wife of W. H. Ensminger; Mary, wife of W. F. Metzgar; Amelia, wife of W. A. Stein, and Theodore. Mr. Vogeley died, October 5, 1873; his widow is a resident of Butler.

George Vogeley, Jr., fifth son of George and Anna E. Vogeley, was born in Germany, November 9, 1824, and came to Allegheny county with his parents. After his father removed to Butler county, he remained in Pittsburg and learned the tobacco business, and on the completion of his trade he engaged in business for himself at Kittanning and Bridgewater, Pennsylvania. In March, 1852, he located in Butler, where he has since carried on a wholesale and retail tobacco trade. Mr. Vogeley was married in 1850, to Mary N. Gass, of Pittsburg, who died in 1878. Seven children were born to this union: Edward; Jacob; Henry; Aaron E, deceased; Sarah; Emma, and Clara. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He was one of the original trustees of St. Paul's Orphan Home, and is to-day one of the oldest merchants in active business in Butler.

Theodore Vogeley, youngest son of William and Mary E. Vogeley, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, in 1867. He attended the public schools of the borough in youth, and subsequently Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and Duff's Commercial College, of Pittsburg. He then entered the employ of the Fisher Oil Company, as book-keeper, and later filled the position of superintendent for the same company. He afterward engaged in oil producing, and in 1891 established his present real estate and insurance business, which he carries on in connection with his oil operations. He represents many of the leading insurance companies of Europe and America. Mr. Vogeley is a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, an ardent Republican.

William Haslett was born in Antrim county, Ireland, in 1816, and was the youngest son of William Haslett a manufacturer of linen, who emigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, about 1817, where he engaged in the mercantile business, and died in 1836. William Haslett, Sr., was a son of Joseph and Rebecca

(McMasters) Haslett, who were born in the vicinity of Dublin, Ireland, and spent their lives in their native land. He was the father of two sons and one daughter: Joseph; Eliza, who married Joseph Rhodes, and William. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools of Pittsburg, and at the Western University in the same city. About 1832 he came to Butler, soon after commenced reading law with Judge John Bredin, and was admitted to the bar December 11, 1837. He followed his prefession for a brief period and then embarked in the newspaper business. His connection with the newspapers of Butler, as editor and publisher, is fully spoken of in the Press chapter. His early political affiliations were with the Whig party, and upon the organization of the Republican party he united with it. In 1844 he was elected a member of the legislature, and in 1849 he was elected to the State senate. He always took a very active part in local politics, and gave an unswerving support to the Whig and Republican parties. In 1870 he was appointed United States store keeper, which position he filled until his death. Mr. Haslett was married to Harriet T., daughter of John N. Purviance, and eleven children blessed this union, seven of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Samuel P., who died in the army; William; Charles, deceased; John of Butler; Mary; Louisa, and Eleanor. Mr. Haslett died December 10, 1872; his widow survived until May 3, 1881.

Charles Haslett, third son of William and Harriet T. (Purviance) Haslett, was born in the borough of Butler, August 4, 1853, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He learned the printer's trade with his father and Jacob Ziegler, and followed his trade for a short period. In 1875 he purchased some oil wells upon the Dougherty farm, near Petrolia, and later operated five wells in Centre township. In 1878 he went to the Bradford field, where he operated for some years, then went south, and was engaged in mining for five years in the James and Shenandoah valleys, Virginia. Returning to Butler in 1887, he again embarked in oil producing, and developed many wells in different parts of the county. In politics he was a Republican, and served in the borough council. Mr. Haslett married Alice, daughter of Moses Walton, a deceased attorney of Woodstock, Virginia, who has two children: Virginia and Walton.

Klingler Family—The grandfather of Hermann Julius Klingler, of Butler, lived in Buttenhousen, Wurtemberg, Germany, and died in the early infancy of his grandson. It is known that the grandfather had one sister, and that he was twice married. The first union resulted in two daughters and one son; the latter, John Jacob, born June 6, 1791, was the father of Hermann Julius. John Jacob spent his early days in Buttenhousen, and later took up his abode in Marbach, Wurtemberg, Germany, the poet Schiller's birthplace, where he was married July 14, 1816, to Fredericka Magdalena Koch, who was born there December 24, 1800. She had one sister, and two brothers, Christian and Gottlieb. Her father was engaged in the milling business, and his mill, situated at Marbach on the Neckar, consisted of twelve run of stone, and derived its water power from three immense dams. In 1817 the tide of emigration was directed towards the unsettled lands of Russia, to which the government gave possession and title after occupation for a number of years, and after making the improvements re-

quired by law. At this time Father Koch and family joined the emigrants to Russia, but died near Odessa during the voyage. His son-in-law, John Jacob Klingler, thus came into possession of the mill at Marbach, and operated the same for nineteen years, until 1836, and it is worthy of notice here that the old family mill property was sold in 1891, to the government, for 276,000 marks, about $70,000, and that the vast water power is now being utilized for the electric light plants of Stuttgart and Cannstadt. The children of John Jacob Klingler, born in Marbach, who survived, were: John Gottlob Frederick, January 12, 1818; Barbara Augusta Fredericka, May 29, 1820; Matilda Henrietta, January 11, 1828, and Hermann Julius, January 9, 1830. Another son, Gottlob William, was born July 1, 1842, in Hohen Neuffen, near by, to which place the family had removed in 1836, where they conducted one of the largest hotels in the town, and had in addition considerable suburban property. Here the family lived until May 23, 1844, when they embarked for America; the trip occupied thirty-six days. Frederick had preceded the family to the new world five years, and had settled in Philadelphia. He returned at this time to his native country for the purpose of conducting the family to their new home. On his way out he met his sister, Fredericka, by accident, at Havre-De-Grace, France, and assisted her in procuring a berth on a ship, as she was on her way to New York to join her husband. The family's first settlement was in Philadelphia, where they remained less than a year, afterwards removing to Armstrong county, and purchasing a large tract of land situated in Manor township, now occupied by the works of the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company, of Ford City. Here they lived six years following agriculture, and then removed to Butler, Pennsylvania. The father, John Jacob Klingler, died November 1, 1857, while on a visit to his native country. His wife's death occurred at Butler, May 10, 1860. Frederick died in Philadelphia, September 27, 1848. Fredericka, who married Henry Becker, died in St. Louis, Missouri, in July, 1851, and William died in Worthington, Pennsylvania, October, 30, 1858.

Hermann Julius Klingler is the only surviving male member of the old family, and with his sister, Matilda, wife of George Munsch, constitute the remnants of the first Klingler emigrants to this country. Hermann Julius was fourteen years old when the family arrived in America. He obtained his education at a "Re-al Schule," in Nürtingen, near his native place. After taking to himself a wife, he left the farm in Manor township, Armstrong county, at the age of eighteen, and accepted a situation as clerk in a store at Kittanning. Remaining there about one year, he, in 1849, settled in Butler, and purchased the old United States Hotel property, corner of Main and Jefferson streets, the present site of the Lowry House, which he conducted for three years. In 1852 he built the present Lowry House, and for eight consecutive years continued to be its landlord. During this time he was also engaged in other enterprises. Forming a copartnership with James Campbell, under the style of Campbell & Klingler, the firm carried on a dry goods store for five years on the northwest corner of Main and Mifflin streets. Later he was associated with Martin Reiber, as Reiber & Klingler, in the foundry business. In 1860 he sold the hotel and built his present residence on the southwest corner of Jefferson and McKean

streets. Two years later he severed his other business connections, and with John Berg, Sr., for several years operated in the oil fields above Oil City. It was in 1863 when Mr. Klingler and John Berg, Jr., took a cargo of crude oil to Liverpool, England. He was among the first to introduce petroleum in the old world, visiting, at the same time, his native land and other points of interest in Germany. The oil was put in barrels at Oil City, transported down the Allegheny river to Pittsburg, and from there shipped by rail to the seaboard at Philadelphia. Upon his return, in 1865, he led in the organization of the Butler County Oil Company, and during its existence of two years, served as its superintendent. In this capacity he leased 12,000 acres of lands in Butler, Armstrong and Beaver counties, the greater part of which were located between Martinsburg, along Bear creek on the north, and Coylesville on the south. He drilled four test wells, one at Buhl's mill, Connoquenessing township; one near Martinsburg, on Bear creek, in Parker township; one at Croll's mill, on Slippery Rock, in Brady township, and one on Buffalo creek, in Armstrong county. As none of these wells were drilled to the second sand no oil was obtained, and the richest oil territory known in this section, extending from Parker to below Millerstown, although leased for ninety-nine years, was abandoned and left for later enterprise to develop and produce therefrom millions of barrels of oil.

Following in the footsteps of his forefathers, Mr. Klingler at last embarked in the milling business, and in 1867 erected the grist mill located on Mifflin street, known as Klingler's Mills. The present main office, 139 East Jefferson street, he built during the Centennial year. After operating the mill for ten years, he remodeled the same with the new process, a method which reground the purified middlings on a small millstone. Several years later he introduced rolls into his mill, being among the first in the State to use them. In 1883–84 he reconstructed the mill to the entire roller system, naming it the Oriental Roller Mills, acknowledged as one of the most advanced roller plants in the United States. In 1885 he erected a shipping house, fifty by one hundred and ten feet, opposite the West Penn railroad station. On March 1, 1886, he associated with him his two sons, Harry S. and Fred J., under the style of H. J. Klingler & Company, to carry on the business more extensively. In 1889 the firm built the Specialty Roller Mills and West Penn Elevator, on the site of the shipping house, utilizing part of the latter. The Oriental Roller Mills was enlarged and again remodeled, externally and internally, in 1891. A fortune equal to four times the original cost of the mill has been expended in experiments and improvements on this plant in the last fourteen years. Mr. Klingler has been engaged in milling twenty-seven successive years, and one hundred years of milling history has been completed by the Klingler family.

Mr. Klingler was also prominently identified with many of the leading enterprises of this community. He was one of the originators and directors of the First National Bank, of Butler, and four years afterward withdrew to become one of the prime movers in the organization of the Butler Savings Bank, of which institution he was a director for a number of years. Dissolving his connection here, he took part in the organization of the German National Bank, of Millerstown, and served as a director as long as he was a stockholder in that

institution. He was president of the Home Natural Gas Company from its organization until the company sold out to its present owners. For years he served the town as a school director and councilman, and was chairman of both bodies. In 1887 he was elected the first president of the Butler Improvement Association. It was at this time and in this capacity that he secured the location at Butler of the Standard Plate Glass Factory, in which project he figured as one of the principals. For the first two years he was president of the company, and during part of this time was general manager of the works. Upon his retirement as head of the concern, he simultaneously severed his connection with the company. He left the impress of his discretion upon the town by platting, in 1890, twelve acres of land into thirty-nine lots, between Mifflin and Penn streets, and donated to the city the land occupied by the streets and alleys, at the same time creating the new thoroughfare now known as Broad street. The entire length of Broad street, on each side, he planted with shade trees, and by deed required each lot purchaser to build twenty feet from the street line. Quite a number of private residences were erected by him in different parts of Butler.

In his religious belief, Mr. Klingler is a Lutheran, of which church he has been a life-long member. His name is conspicuous in the history of the denomination in this section, as an energetic worker in various capacities. In the general body he has held numerous positions of trust. For many years he was a director of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, the largest educational institution of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and adjacent States, and for over ten years he was also treasurer of that body. He was a delegate from the Pittsburg Synod to the General Council Lutheran Assembly, which convened at Fort Wayne in the autumn of 1893. Politically, Mr. Klingler affiliated with the Democratic party until a recent date, but is now a strong Prohibitionist. While he always took an active interest in public matters, and though he was often urged to accept public office, the cares of a business life compelled him to deny the importunities of his fellow citizens. Mr. Klingler married, October 24, 1848, Anna Barbara, daughter of Martin Reiber, Sr., one of the settlers of 1839, of Summit township, Butler county, and by this marriage they are the parents of eight children, four sons surviving: Harry Samuel; Frederick Julius; Charles Washington, and Paul Gerhardt.

Harry Samuel Klingler, eldest son of Hermann Julius Klingler, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, July 3, 1856. His education was obtained in the public schools of Butler and at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. Direct from college in 1875, he entered his father's mill with a view of mastering the details of the business, and in 1878 he took charge as general manager, the duties of which position are still discharged by him, as a member of the firm of H. J. Klingler & Company. In the mill from boyhood, and since then without interruption for eighteen years manager of the two mills and elevator of his firm, he is recognized as a successful, practical and progressive miller. Mr. Klingler is well known among the millers of the United States as an author of many articles on milling, and in his connection with, and lectures before, the Pennsylvania Millers' State Association. In July, 1883, he was awarded the prize by the American

Miller for the best essay on "The Handling of Middlings and the Use of Purifiers," and in 1884–85 he was a monthly contributor to that paper; at the same time and for four years, he informally supported by his pen the *Milling Engineer*, writing occasionally for other trade papers. As "Random Reflector" he won notoriety from a column he edited, headed "Random Reflections." When the Pennsylvania Millers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company was organized in December, 1886, he was one of the prime movers and has ever since been a director. He was in the past interested in a number of Butler enterprises, but never to such an extent as to neglect his life's work, milling. A life-long Lutheran, he has served his church energetically as superintendent of the Sunday school for nearly a decade. At the fifty-first convention of the Pittsburg Synod of the General Council, held at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, September 13–20, 1893, he was elected trustee of Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania. Mr. Klingler married, February 5, 1878, Louisa Catherine, daughter of Jacob Keck, of Butler, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of five children: Charlotta Fredericka; William Julius; Alberta Barbara; Clara Louisa, and Harry Samuel.

Frederick Julius Klingler, second son of Hermann Julius Klingler, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1859. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and then attended Duff's Commercial College of Pittsburg, where he was graduated January 15, 1875. Upon securing his diploma he was appointed book-keeper of the German National Bank of Millerstown, and served in that capacity for three years. Impaired health caused him to seek a more congenial climate at Cullman, Alabama, where he sojourned for a season. Returning, he entered the office of his father as book-keeper, which position he filled until the firm of H. J. Klingler & Company was organized, when he became a member, and took charge of the main office and the finances of the company. He married, September 4, 1888, Margaret Ewing, a daughter of Harold Rogers, of Baltimore, Maryland, and by this union they have two children: Emily Bryant, and James Hermann. Mr. Klingler was one of the organizers and original trustees of the Mutual Water Association of the South Side. In politics, he is a Prohibitionist, and, like all of his family, he is an adherent of the Lutheran faith.

Charles Washington Klingler, third son of Hermann Julius Klingler, was born in Butler April 12, 1861, where he was reared and educated. He attended for a time elsewhere a higher school than his native place afforded, but soon developed a preference for the handling of machinery, in which direction he early displayed considerable skill. He filled acceptably the position of engineer in the Oriental Roller Mills for several years, and upon the erection of the Standard Plate Glass Works of Butler, immediately entered the employ of that company as booker. Being one of the oldest employes of the factory, serving the company for six successive years, he is familiar with every detail of the business, and now occupies the position of time-keeper and foreman. Mr. Klingler married, April 16, 1885, Alice Ann, daughter of Alexander Baxter, of Butler, and their family consists of two daughters and one son: Mabel Irene, Carl Julius and Laura Marguerite.

Rev. Paul Gerhardt Klingler, youngest son of Hermann Julius Klingler, was born August 19, 1867, in Butler, where he was reared and received his

early education. At the age of fifteen he entered Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and graduated in 1887. Thereupon he entered Mount Airy Seminary, of Philadelphia, and was graduated May 27, and ordained June 30, 1890. During his theological course he established missions at Manayunk, Pennsylvania, and Lansingburg, New York, and in April, 1890, was called to the pastorate of St. Michael's Lutheran church, one of the oldest of the denomination in Philadelphia. Here he labored until October, 1891, when he removed to Sherodsville, Ohio, pursuant to a call from the Bowerston charge, comprising three congregations and four churches. After two years of service in this field he was called, in October, 1893, to Trinity Lutheran church, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, where he now resides. He was married, June 25, 1890, to Alberta, daughter of the late Prof. William F. Lehmann, president of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and by this marriage they have three sons: Paul Lehmann, Hermann Julius and Jerome.

John Berg, Sr., was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, June 9, 1812, and was a son of John and Marian Berg. He was educated in his native land, and there learned the baker's trade. In 1832 he immigrated to the United States, in company with his uncle, Casper Ritzert, and first settled at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, where he found employment in a rolling mill. He afterwards removed to Pittsburg, and worked at his trade until 1835. In that year he came to Butler and opened a small bakery and grocer store upon the site of the hardware house now occupied by George A. Cypher & Company, which building he afterwards erected. He carried on business here until about 1848, when he and his brother Herman leased the property on the corner of Main and Cunningham streets, erected a warehouse and engaged in a general store, produce and wool business, under the firm name of John Berg & Company. This partnership lasted until 1856, when Herman Berg retired and John Berg continued the business alone until 1870. In that year Mr. Berg founded the banking house of John Berg & Company, which has been in successful operation for the past twenty-four years. In 1874 he erected the brick building, 121 South Main street, and taking into partnership his son in-law, George A. Cypher, engaged in a hardware business, under the name of Berg & Cypher, until his death. In 1880, in partnership with his son John, he embarked in a general grocery and wool business, which they carried on until 1882. Mr. Berg was one of the pioneer oil operators on the Allegheny river, Venango county, in 1859, in connection with H. J. Klingler, and was extensively engaged with other operators during the early oil days of Venango and Butler counties. In partnership with Mr. Klingler he shipped, in 1863, 1,000 barrels of crude oil to Liverpool, which was one of the first shipments of petroleum made to England. It was consigned to Boult, English & Brandon, and was sold by the ton. He was also associated with Mr. Klingler in the lease, of 12,000 acres of oil lands, which they finally abandoned, and which afterwards proved to be the richest oil field in Butler county. He was one of the largest, if not the largest, real estate owners in the borough and county. Mr. Berg was a Whig in politics until the organization of the American or Know Nothing party, when, because of the sympathy existing in the Whig party with Know Nothingism, he became a Democrat. In religious faith he was

a Catholic, and, with his brother, was among the pioneers of St. Peter's church of Butler, and gave liberally towards the erection of that building. He married Martha, daughter of Roman Eyth, and nine children blessed this union, as follows: Mary; John; Magdalene, a Sister of Mercy in the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Ridgely, Maryland; Margaret; Elizabeth, deceased wife of George A. Cypher; Henry A.; Annie; Mark; Louis, and Charles. Mr. Berg died June 9, 1884; his widow survives at the age of seventy-one years.

JOHN BERG, JR., was born June 23, 1842, in Butler, and is the eldest son of John Berg, Sr., and the head of the banking house of John Berg & Company. In 1867 he was appointed teller of the First National Bank, of Butler, and after a few months was elected cashier of that institution, which office he filled until the fall of 1869. In the autumn of 1870 his father founded the banking house of John Berg & Company, and he was a partner in that institution, and the practical head of the bank from its establishment up to the present time. Mr. Berg is one of the most extensive real estate owners in the county, as well as one of its most successful business men. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, a member of St. Peter's Catholic church.

HENRY A. AND LOUIS BERG, junior members of the firm of John Berg & Company, were born in Butler, in 1857, and 1862, respectively. After attending the common schools of the borough they entered St. Vincent's College, Westmoreland county, where they completed their educatiou. Henry A. was engaged in the hardware business until the re-organization of the bank firm, when he became a member of the latter. Louis has been a partner of the firm since 1889. Both are adherents of the Democratic party, and members of the Catholic church.

HON. JOSEPH HARTMAN, president of the Butler County National Bank, is the eldest son of William and Mary (Winters) Hartman, and was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1827. He worked at the blacksmith's trade with his father until seventeen years of age, and then found employment in the ore mines and at contracting until January, 1855. In 1849 he purchased a farm in Donegal township, Butler county, with money judiciously saved from his earnings, upon which his parents settled the same year. In 1856 he located upon this farm and resided there until his removal to Butler. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. In 1864 he commenced operating in the oil fields of Venango county, subsequently transferred his operations to Butler county, and has been successfully identified with oil producing for the past thirty-five years. Mr. Hartman has operated extensively in the Millerstown field, also in Allegany county, New York, while his production on the Black farm, in Butler county, was sold by him at a high figure. He has also operated in Armstrong county, and in the St. Joe, Jefferson Centre, Callery Junction and Hundred Foot fields, as well as in the McDonald field, and is now prominently connected with the development of the Mannington field, of West Virginia. He is a stockholder in the United States Pipe Line Company, and the Producers Pipe Line Company. At the time the movement was inaugurated to curtail production, Mr. Hartman earnestly supported Mr. Phillips in his plan to set aside 2,000,000 barrels of oil

Joseph Kaufman

for the protection of the labor engaged in the petroleum industry. In connection with other capitalists he purchased the Kelly Silver Mines, of New Mexico, and is a stockholder in the Trade Dollar Mining Company, of Idaho. Soon after the organization of the Butler County National Bank, Mr. Hartman was elected president, to succeed Mr. Taylor, and has filled that position in a very satisfactory manner down to the present. He is an ardent Republican, and in 1884 was elected to the legislature, serving in 1885–86. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., of Butler, and a warm friend of the old soldier. Mr. Hartman has been twice married. His first wife was Margaret Black, a daughter of John Black, of Donegal township, whom he married in January, 1853. She died on July 5, 1869, leaving a family of five children, as follows: Mary E.; Lizzie J., wife of Patrick Gallagher; Anna L., wife of Michael Leonard; Eva F., and Joseph. His second marriage occurred in 1873, with Miss Mary McFadden, who died on April 17, 1892. Mr. Hartman and family are members of St. Paul's Catholic church, of Butler, to which denomination his ancestors belonged. He is one of the substantial, enterprising and wealthy citizens of Butler, where he has resided since November, 1892, has always been a generous contributor towards religious and educational institutions, and was a prominent member of the building committee in the erection of St. Patrick's church, at Sugar creek.

J. V. Ritts, vice-president of the Butler County National Bank, was born at St. Petersburg, Clarion county, Pennsylvania, October 7, 1852, son of Elias and Elizabeth (Vensel) Ritts. His boyhood days were passed upon his father's farm, and his primary education was obtained in the public schools. He afterwards took an academic course, and also attended Iron City College, of Pittsburg, where he received a thorough commercial training. After graduating, he was offered, without solicitation on his part, the professorship of the book-keeping and banking department of the college, which position he filled for two years. In 1872 he was appointed book-keeper in the St. Petersburg Savings Bank, and one year later was selected to fill the position of cashier. The stock of this institution was subsequently purchased by Elias Ritts, J. V. Ritts, and several other well known citizens of Clarion county, the bank re-organized, and Mr. Ritts became one of the directors, as well as cashier. He has been associated with the St. Petersburg and Clarion Railroad Company, now the Pittsburg and Western, as director; was treasurer of the Foxburg, Kane, and Bradford Railroad Company; a stock holder and director in the Parker, Karns City and Butler Railroad Company for several years, and also filled the office of secretary and treasurer of the St. Petersburg and Foxburg Turnpike Company. He has been interested in the organization of the following banks: Eldred Bank, of Eldred, Pennsylvania; First National Bank, of Salina, Kansas; Seaboard National Bank, of New York; Dallas National Bank, of Dallas, Texas; Meriden National Bank, of Mississippi, and the Keystone Bank, of Pittsburg. In April, 1890, Mr. Ritts was one of the leading spirits in the organization of the Butler County National Bank, was chosen first vice-president of that institution, was one of the original stockholders, and has been the virtual controller of its financial policy during the past five years of its successful existence. Aside from his banking interests, he has been extensively engaged in oil producing in Clarion and Butler counties. Mr. Ritts

was married in August, 1882, to Irene C. Blakeslee, a daughter of W. Z. Blakeslee, of New York, and has three children, viz: Elias; Maud A., and Leonard C. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, of Butler, in which Mr. Ritts is one of the trustees. He is a member of the Masonic order, and one of the progressive and public-spirited citizens of the community.

Col. Alexander Lowry was born in Blair county (formerly a part of Huntingdon), Pennsylvania, February 18, 1814. His great grandfather, Lazarus Lowry, came from the north of Ireland, and in 1729 settled in Donegal, Lancaster county, on the celebrated farm known as "Donegal," now owned by Senator Cameron. Col. Alexander Lowry, a son of Lazarus Lowry, and one of the most noted and successful Indian traders in the history of Pennsylvania, purchased from his father the homestead, and after living there for some time, sold the farm and removed to Huntingdon county. Here was born his son Alexander Lowry, father of Col. Alexander Lowry, of Butler. The maiden name of the mother of our subject was Margaret Bouslough, who was born and reared in Huntingdon county. When eighteen years old, Alexander became an apprentice at the cabinetmaker's trade, and after serving three years he continued working at the trade until 1837. In 1839 he opened a hotel at Yellow Springs, Blair county, and removed from there to Water Street, on the line of the Pennsylvania canal, in 1842, where he was in the hotel business until 1846. In that year he located t Hollidaysburg, and was proprietor of the American House until September, 1850, when he removed to Butler, and purchased the Beatty House, which stood on the site of the Troutman Block, and afterwards known as the Lowry House as long as the building was used for hotel purposes. In 1868 he purchased the present Lowry House, and, in 1873, after the first oil excitement had commenced, sold the property to Cross & McOmber, but repurchased it in 1879. He continued as its proprietor until 1875, when he retired from the hotel business to his home on West Pearl street, where he has since resided. In 1841 Colonel Lowry was married to Margaret Spear, of Williamsburg, Blair county, who died in Butler, December 11, 1886. His family consists of one daughter and seven sons, as follows: Belle W.; W. A.; Charles S.; John F.; Porter W.; George W.; Thomas L., and J. L., all of whom are living. Colonel Lowry is now in his eighty-second year, and is an active, well preserved man. He has well earned the name of having been one of the most successful and best known hotel men in the State.

Porter W. Lowry, attorney at law, is a son of Alexander and Margaret Lowry, and was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, February 12, 1855. He attended the public schools in early boyhood, and completed his education at the Witherspoon Institute. He read law with Hon. Ebenezer McJunkin, was admitted to the bar in 1876, and has since been engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. Lowry was married January 30, 1890, to Mary W. Hazen, only daughter of Hon. A. L. Hazen, president judge of the Seventeenth judicial district. She died on March 20, 1891. He has always been an active Republican, was elected chairman of the Republican county committee in 1894, and had the honor of being at the head of the party organization when Butler county gave the largest majority for the Republican candidates since the foundation of the

party. Mr. Lowry is a member of the Presbyterian church, of Butler, has been president of the Christian Endeavor Society two terms, and for several years has been actively identified with the growth and prosperity of the church.

LOUIS STEIN was born in the City of Marburg, Hessen, Germany, July 3, 1811, a son of Prof. George Stein. When Louis was about thirteen years of age his father was appointed a professor at the Medical University of Bonn and removed with his family to that place, where he died some sixteen years ago, aged 100 years. The subject of this sketch was educated at the University of Bonn, immigrated to New York City in 1832, and was employed in a large German importing house for five years. In 1837 he located at Wapakoneta, Ohio, and engaged in general merchandising in partnership with Bernard Roessing, which they conducted until the spring of 1840. They then removed to Butler, Pennsylvania, and embarked in the same business under the firm name of Roessing & Stein, which existed until 1871, when Mr. Stein purchased his partner's interest and carried on the grocery, queensware and dry goods business until February, 1882. His son William A. was then admitted to a partnership, and the firm became L. Stein & Son, and continued the dry goods business exclusively. The first store of Roessing & Stein was in a part of the Vogeley Hotel building, whence they removed to the corner of Main and Mifflin streets, and finally erected the building now occupied by their successor. In 1885 Mr. Stein retired from active business, and continued to enjoy the fruits of his frugality and industry until his death, July 20, 1894, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He was always an ardent Democrat, but his very active business life prevented him from devoting much attention to public affairs, with the exception of serving on the school board. Mr. Stein was a member of the German Lutheran church, of Butler, and a liberal supporter of that society. In August, 1848, he married Matilda Dieker, a daughter of Anthony Dieker, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, to which union were born six children, as follows: Emily, deceased wife of John N. Patterson; Julia, wife of J. F. Strong, of Cincinnati; William A.; Louis B.; Albert O., and Charles, deceased. Albert O., was born in Butler, March 23, 1858, was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, followed the tinner's trade for several years, and has clerked for the past nine years in the store of L. Stein & Son. Although Mr. Stein retired from the active management of his business in 1885, hardly a day passed, when in health, that he was not at the store assisting in the work. He enjoyed good health until a few months before his death. He was energetic and enterprising, and was an active mover in every effort made for the advancement of the town. In his business life he was successful, and in his social intercourse with the people made hosts of friends. His business career was marked by the strictest integrity and the most honorable dealings with those who in the past half century were patrons of his store.

WILLIAM A. STEIN, eldest son of Louis and Matilda Stein, was born in the borough of Butler, October 9, 1853, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. In 1873 he entered his father's store as clerk, which position he filled until 1882, when he became a member of the firm of L. Stein & Son, and has continued in active business up to the present. He is a director in

the Butler Savings Bank, and is one of the original stockholders and organizers of the Standard Plate Glass Company of Butler. Mr. Stein was married in 1878, to Amelia, daughter of William Vogeley, and has five children: Gertrude F.; Cora M.; Albert A. L.; Clarence L., and Emily H. Mr. Stein is past master and secretary of Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M., and also secretary of the Chapter. He is a Republican in politics, and attends the German Lutheran church.

Louis B Stein, second son of Louis and Matilda Stein, was born in Butler, December 28, 1855, and received his education in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. In May, 1873, he was chosen book-keeper of the First National Bank of Butler, was appointed teller in 1877, and filled that position until the failure of the bank in July, 1879. He then entered the employ of Joseph Horne & Company, of Pittsburg, where he filled the position of book-keeper for two years, and then returned to Butler to take charge of the books of L. Stein & Son. On February 11, 1885, he was appointed teller of the Butler Savings Bank, which position he has filled for the past nine years. Mr. Stein was married, January 1, 1885, to Julia, daughter of Philip Wisener, of Butler, and has two children: Laura M., and Edna M. Politically he is a Republican, and is a member of the German Lutheran church.

Thomas Stehle, Sr., was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in 1813, was there educated, and learned the lock and gunsmith's trade. He came to the United States in 1832 and settled in Butler, where he worked at his trade. He kept a store on what is now South Main street, and afterwards bought the John Negley property. He also purchased the Christian Otto property and the Producers Bank building, where Stehle's store now stands, besides the Miller property, corner of Main and North streets, and the old fair grounds, which he purchased of Judge Bredin. He was one of the successful and prosperous business men of the borough. Mr. Stehle married Josephine Stehle in 1838, and was the father of seven children, as follows: Mary, widow of D. T. Pape; Annie, widow of William Aland; Joseph, deceased; Elizabeth; John, deceased; J. F. T., and Thomas, Jr., deceased. Mr. Stehle was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and died September 13, 1887. His widow resides in Butler.

John F. T. Stehle, son of Thomas Stehle, Sr., was born in the borough of Butler, February 21, 1852, and here received a common school education. He first clerked in his father's store, and in 1871 he engaged in the notion and toy business with his brother Thomas, under the firm name of Stehle Brothers, but he is now carrying on the business alone. Mr. Stehle married Lena M., daughter of John Moral, of Butler, September 22, 1879. They are the parents of seven children: Joseph T.; Victor; Raymond, deceased; Thomas, deceased; Gerard; John, and Paul. Mr. Stehle and wife are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

D. T. Pape was born in Westphalia, Germany, in 1837, and came to the United States when thirteen years old, locating at Pittsburg, whence he removed to Butler, Pennsylvania. He was a salesman here for Thomas Stehle one year, then returned to Pittsburg and clerked in Spencer's dry goods store. In 1858 he again came to Butler, and married Mary, daughter of Thomas and Josephine

Stehle. He embarked in the dry goods and millinery business, which he continued up to his death, October 7, 1885. The business is now carried on by his widow under the old firm name. Seven children were born to D. T. and Mary Pape, as follows: Josephine, deceased wife of John R. Grieb; Charles F. T.; Theodore D.; Gerard P.; Mary L.; Destella L., and Eugene A., who was born in Butler, August 15, 1874, educated in the common schools, and is now an apprentice with his brother in the jewelry business. Mr. Pape was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, he was a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Charles F. T. Pape, eldest son of D. T. and Mary Pape, was born in the borough of Butler, August 22, 1863, and was educated in the public schools and at St. Vincent's College. He learned the jeweler's trade with F. H. Weiser of Pittsburg, and in 1881 he engaged in the jewelry business in Butler, which he still carries on at 122 South Main street. He was married October 6, 1891, to Annie, daughter of Patrick and B. Golden, of Butler, and has one son, Leo C. H. Mr. Pape is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. In 1886 his brother, Gerard P., became a partner in the jewelry business, and the firm has since been C. F. T. Pape & Brother.

Theodore D. Pape, second son of D. T. Pape, was born in Butler, July 28, 1865, and received a public school education. Since his school days he has been a salesman in the store of D. T. Pape, now carried on by his mother. He is a member of the Catholic church, and is connected with the C. M. B. A. of Butler.

Gerard P. Pape, third son of D. T. Pape, was born in Butler, July 30, 1867, and was educated in the public schools. He learned the jeweler's trade with John R. Grieb, and in 1886 became a member of the firm of C. F. T. Pape & Brother. He is a member of the Catholic church, is a Democrat in politics, and is connected with Butler Lodge, B. P. O. E.

William Aland was a son of Ambrose and Margaret Aland, natives of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany. His parents settled in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where William was born in 1845, and where he received a good common school education. His father was a merchant tailor, and carried on business in that city, and the subject of this sketch learned the cutter's trade with him and managed his business after arriving at manhood. In 1874 he located in Butler, and established a merchant tailoring business on South Main street. In 1888 he erected the building in which his son, Joseph W., now conducts business, where he carried on merchant tailoring until his death, October 19, 1888. He married Annie, daughter of Thomas Stehle, one of the early residents of Butler, and became the father of eight children, as follows: Joseph W.; Charles F.; Estella; Bebeana; Florence, deceased; Edgar; Lillian, and Blanche, deceased. Mr. Aland was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, he was a Democrat. He never took much interest in political affairs, but devoted his entire attention to the prosecution of his business. He had the town's prosperity ever at heart, and always encouraged home industries. His widow resides with her family in the old homestead on South Main street.

Joseph W. Aland was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, May 20, 1869, and

is the eldest in the family of William and Annie Aland. He was reared in Butler, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He afterwards entered the employ of his father, and owing to the latter's failing health he took charge of the business, about 1886. After his father's death the entire business devolved upon his shoulders, and he has since conducted it very successfully. Mr. Aland is one of the active young business men of Butler, and stands in the front rank as a merchant tailor. He is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Democratic party.

Francis X. Grieb was born in the Black Forest, Grand Duchy of Baden, Ober-Ampt, Harb-Rexingen, Wurtemburg, Germany, February 1, 1820, where he was also reared and educated. He learned the watchmaker's trade in his native land, and in 1848 he immigrated to the United States and settled at Philadelphia. In 1849 he came to Butler and established himself in business in what was then known as the Major Hughes property, and carried on the repairing of watches, jewelry, etc. In 1852 he purchased the property now occupied by the jewelry store of Henry Grieb, remodeled the building and opened the first jewelry store in Butler, which he conducted successfully until his death, in 1865. Mr. Grieb was married in 1849, to Elizabeth Hepfle, a native of Bavaria, Germany, who survives, and resides on East North street. She conducted the business until 1883, since which time it has been carried on by her son Henry. They were the parents of the following children: Jennie; Henry; Alexander, deceased; Frank, a merchant at Braddock; John R., Charles R., deceased; and Louis M. Mr. Grieb was a practical member of the Catholic church, and a pioneer of St. Peter's congregation, to which organization the whole family belong. In politics, he was a Democrat, and throughout his long residence in Butler was recognized as a successful merchant and a good citizen.

Henry Grieb, eldest son of Francis X. Grieb, was born in the borough of Butler, April 8, 1852, and received his education in the public schools. In 1865 he went to Pittsburg, where he learned the watchmaker's trade, and since his father's death has had practical control of the jewelry store established by the latter, and now conducted under the name of E. Grieb. He married Lena Liebler of Butler, in 1876, and they are the parents of one son, Edward F. X. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the borough council. He is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and is connected with Branch, Number 56, C. M. B. A., also the B. P. O. E.

John R. Grieb, fourth son of Francis X. Grieb, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1858, and was educated in the public schools of the borough. At the age of fourteen he commenced learning the watchmaker's trade with his brother, and remained with the firm of E. Grieb until 1883. In April of that year he established a jewelry store at 120 South Main street, where he remained until 1891, and then located at 125 North Main street, from where he moved to his present place of business in April, 1894. In 1889 he formed a partnership with R. J. Lamb, for the purpose of dealing in pianos and musical instruments, and the firm of Grieb & Lamb carried on that business in connection with the jewelry store, up to June 15, 1894, when they dissolved partnership, and the business is now carried on by Mr. Grieb at 118 South Main street.

Mr. Grieb was married January 1, 1883, to Josie, daughter of D. T. Pape. One son was born to this union, Raymond, who died in August, 1884. Mrs. Grieb died in October, 1892. Politically, Mr. Grieb is a Democrat, is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and is one of the enterprising young business men of the borough.

Isaac Colbert was born in Greene county, Pennsylvania, in 1798. His parents died when he was about two years of age, and he was reared by William McCollough, of Armstrong county. He learned the hatter's trade, and in 1835 came to Butler county and settled in Butler township, where he built a shop and commenced the manufacture of hats, also carrying on a small farm at the same time. In 1836 he removed to Butler, and located on Main street, where he continued the manufacture of hats and conducted a retail hat store. This business he carried on until his death, July 5, 1872, at which time he was the oldest merchant in the borough, with the exception of the late William Campbell. In 1824 he was married to Miss Fanny Ramsey, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, to which union were born four children, as follows: William R., of Butler; Robert, a physician of Oil City; Eliza J., wife of J. C. Redick, of Butler, and Harvey, a merchant of the same borough. Mrs. Colbert died in 1874. Both were lifelong members of the Presbyterian church. Politically, he was a Whig, but joined the Republican party at its birth, and was elected by that party treasurer of Butler county.

William R. Colbert, eldest son of Isaac and Fannie Colbert, was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, January 31, 1825. He learned the hatter's trade with his father, and was connected with him in business until he stopped the manufacture of hats. He then engaged in engineering, which business he has followed up to the present, having had charge of stationary engines at Pittsburg, Butler and other points. He married Jane, daughter of John Badger, of Centre township, Butler county, and they are the parents of nine children: Isaac N., deceased; Isabel; Ada; William H., deceased; Edwin D.; Henry B.; John L.; Eliza J., wife of C. E. Graham, of Oil City, and Frank. Since 1843 Mr. Colbert has been a member of the Presbyterian church, joining that denomination at the age of eighteen years. In politics, he was identified with the Whig party up to the formation of the Republican party, since which he has been a supporter of the latter organization.

Edwin D. Colbert is the oldest living son of William R. and Jane Colbert, and was born November 24, 1856, in Butler, Pennsylvania. His primary education was received in the public schools, and he completed his studies at Witherspoon Institute. He then entered the employ of J. & H. Schneideman, of Butler, as clerk, and worked for that firm, Harvey Colbert and others until 1879, when he was appointed clerk in the United States mail service, which position he held for ten years. In 1889 he formed a partnership with David E. Dale, under the firm name of Colbert & Dale, and they have since carried on one of the leading hat and gents furnishing houses in Butler. Mr. Colbert is an adherent of the Republican party, and in religion, he is a member of the Presbyterian church. He is connected with Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M., Butler Chapter, R. A. M., the K. of P., the R. A., and the B. P. O. E.

David E. Dale, merchant, and ex-register and recorder of Butler county, was born April 18, 1862, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, son of Rev. Abner and Sarah (Adams) Dale, the latter a daughter of James Adams of Slippery Rock township. Abner Dale was a native of Dale's Mills, Center county, Pennsylvania, and was educated for the ministry. About 1856 he came to Butler county as pastor of the Sugar Creek and Fairview Reformed churches, where he remained a short time, and then accepted a call to a church in Mercer county. About 1870 he returned to this county to accept the pastorate of the Sugar Creek, Fairview and Millerstown Reformed churches, but subsequently, on account of failing health, he resigned all but the Fairview charge, where he died January 16, 1875. His widow resides with the subject of this sketch in Butler. Their family consisted of four children: David E.; Margaret; James, and Thomas A., all of whom are dead except the first mentioned. After his father's death the family removed to Butler, where David E. attended the common schools and Witherspoon Institute, subsequently spent one year at Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania, and completed his education under private tutors. In January, 1882, he entered the register and recorder's office as clerk under H. W. Christie's administration, and remained in that office until 1887, when he resigned to become a candidate for the office of register and recorder, but was defeated for the nomination. He then engaged in the insurance business until 1889, when he entered the gent's furnishing business with E. D. Colbert, under the firm name of Colbert & Dale, which is still in existence. In November, 1890, he was elected register and recorder, and retired from office in January, 1894. In politics, he is a Republican, and in religious faith, a Presbyterian. He is a member of Butler Lodges, Number 272, F. & A. M., and 278, I. O. O. F., and also of the K. of P. Mr. Dale was married October 7, 1891, to Mary, a daughter of Alfred Wick of Butler. He is a popular and enterprising citizen, and stands well in the community where a large portion of his life has been passed.

John Cleeland, eldest son of Robert and Phoebe (Wimer) Cleeland, and grandson of Arthur Cleeland, was born July 16, 1811, upon the old homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He learned the blacksmith's trade, and commenced business in a shop on the home farm, whence he removed to Portersville, where he carried on business fourteen years. In 1854 he located in Perry township, Mercer county, where he conducted business until 1879, and then removed to Sandy Lake, and continued business at that point until March, 1892. At that time he retired from active life, and now resides with his son, David L. of Butler. He has always been connected with the Whig and Republican parties. In religion, he is a Presbyterian, and one of the early members of the Portersville church. Mr. Cleeland married Betsey, daughter of William Morrison, of Muddy Creek township. She died in 1883, the mother of eleven children, whose names are as follows: Robert, deceased; William M., a resident of Great Falls, Montana; Phoebe, who married Lewis E. Clark, and after his death J. R. Snyder; Sarah, wife of Jacob Kibler; Maria, wife of John Pattison; Arthur K., who was a member of Company F, Eighty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, died from exposure while in the service, and was buried at

D. L. Cleland

Harrison's Landing; Isaac, deceased; John S.; Hamilton, deceased; David L., and Lizzie, wife of C. M. Farrah, of Sandy Lake.

David L. Cleeland, jeweler, was born in Perry township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, June 4, 1855, and is a son of John and Betsy Cleeland. After receiving a good English education, he entered the employ of J. R. Snyder, of Harrisville, Butler county, with whom he learned the watchmaker's trade, and subsequently purchased the business. In 1881 he removed to Butler, where he continued the same business, and in 1888 he became a member of the firm of Cleeland & Ralston. This firm conducted business until the fall of 1893, when Mr. Cleeland opened his present commodious jewelry house, in a building purchased by him in 1890, which he remodeled and fitted up for the purpose. Mr. Cleeland is a professional optician, and holds a diploma of graduation awarded him June 15, 1889. He was married November 14, 1878, to Miss Flora Cubbison, a daughter of George Cubbison, of Harrisville. They are the parents of four sons, as follows: Earl C.; Frank W.; Roy A., and Carl L. Mr. Cleeland and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Butler, in which body he fills the office of elder. He is connected with Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., and in all the relations of life he is one of the respected citizens of the community.

Martin J. Reiber was born in Goeningen, Wurtemburg, Germany, and was a dealer in seeds, flowers and fruit trees in his native land. He emigrated to New York City in 1832, where he followed the occupation of a market gardener and importer of seeds, bulbs and flowers. From New York he came to Butler county, and purchased what was later known as the Reiber Hotel, in Summit township, whence he removed to the borough of Butler, where he died in 1865; his wife died in 1860. He was one of the charter members of St. Mark's Lutheran church, of Butler, and was an elder in that organization. He also served in the borough council at one time, and was a very worthy citizen. Mr. Reiber married Catherine Fetzer, in Germany, a native of the same town where he himself was born, and six children blessed this union: Catherine; Martin; George; Barbara, who married H. Julius Klingler, of Butler; Jacob, and Margaret, who married Martin Loefler.

Martin Reiber was born in the same town as his father, and learned the florist business with the latter. He came with his parents to New York, and thence to Butler, where he was married, in 1846, to Mary, daughter of Isaac and Mary Yetter of this borough. He at once purchased the old tavern which stood on the site of the Hotel Lowry, which he conducted until his removal to Millerstown, where he embarked in the mercantile business and carried it on some five years. Returning to Butler he erected the brick store still standing on the northwest corner of Main and Jefferson streets, and establishing the firm of Reiber & Yetter, began dealing in general merchandise. In 1859 he sold out his interest in the store and went into the foundry business, on Washington street, in partnership with H. J. Klingler. During this time he also operated a distillery. In 1875 he engaged in the grocery business under the firm name of M. Reiber & Son, and in 1880 removed to the George Reiber block. He died in 1882; his widow resides in the old homestead. To Martin and Mary Reiber were born the following children: Ferdinand; Lena; Albert; Martin H.; Emma,

who married Charles F. Hosford of Wheeling, West Virginia; Howard; Aaron E., and Cora, deceased. Mr. Reiber was a charter member of St. Mark's Lutheran church, and was connected with the I. O. O. F. Politically, he was a Whig in early days and afterwards a Republican. He was one of the charter members of the Bald Ridge Oil Company, and was a successful, enterprising and progressive business man.

Ferdinand Reiber, eldest son of Martin and Mary Reiber, was born at Millerstown, Butler county, June 19, 1847. He received a common school education, entered Washington and Jefferson College in 1863, and graduated in 1867. He then commenced reading law with Colonel John M. Thompson, and was admitted to the bar in 1869. In 1871 he was elected to the office of district attorney and filled that position until 1875. He continued to practice law until 1881, when he went into the oil business, organizing the Bald Ridge Oil Company, the pioneer company in the oil development south of Butler. Mr. Reiber was also connected with the Mutual Gas Company, in which he held the position of secretary and director. He is now operating very successfully, and is joint owner of some of the most valuable oil properties in Butler county.

Aaron E. Reiber, youngest son of Martin and Mary Reiber, was born in the borough of Butler, April 9, 1863. After receiving a common school education he attended Witherspoon Institute, and subsequently entered Washington and Jefferson College, and Princeton College, New Jersey, graduating from the last mentioned institution in 1882, at the age of nineteen. On his return to Butler he commenced reading law with T. C. Campbell, was admitted to practice in 1885, and in 1889 was elected, on the Democratic ticket, district attorney of Butler county, and served in that capacity until January 1, 1893. Since leaving that office he has devoted his attention to the practice of his profession. He is connected with the K. of P., and is a director in the Y. M. C. A. of Butler. He is a member of the English Lutheran church, and takes an active interest in the prosperity of that organization.

George Reiber was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, November 23, 1815, son of Martin J. and Catherine Reiber. He was reared in his native land, and in 1834 immigrated to New York, where he joined his father and brother Martin, who had preceded him to the New World. He engaged in the hotel business, and also followed the occupation of a market gardener. In 1839 he came to Butler county and settled in Summit township, where he erected a saw mill. In 1846 he purchased a farm at Hannahstown, removed to Millerstown in 1848, and kept a general store in that borough for several years. In 1856 he purchased a grist mill and 137 acres of the Clymer tract, on the northeastern limits of Butler, and for the past thirty-eight years he has successfully conducted the milling business. He has remodeled and improved the property several times, until it is to-day a comparatively new structure, and contains a full roller process, besides the original buhr system. He also operated a distillery from 1865 to 1873. Mr. Reiber was married in 1842, to Mary Rigger, a daughter of Jacob Rigger, of Summit township. Eleven children were born to this union, as follows: Martin G.; Caroline, wife of William F. Miller, of Butler; Henry; Wilhelmina, wife of Rev. Mieser, of Detroit; Mary L.; Anna M.; Elizabeth; George L.; Edward; Ida

F., and Agatha, deceased. Mrs. Reiber died on March 3, 1883. Henry, George L. and Edward Reiber, are prominently identified with the natural gas business, as the owners of the Independent Natural Gas Company, of Butler. Mr. Reiber is one of the oldest and best known citizens of the borough, where he has been engaged in business for nearly forty years. Inheriting a robust and vigorous constitution, his whole life has been marked by rigid industry, perseverance and energy. Coming to western Pennsylvania comparatively penniless, he has accumulated through the passing years a large estate, and ranks as one of the wealthiest men of Butler county.

George Reiber, Sr , second son of John M. Reiber, was born in Germany, was educated in his native land, and there learned the blacksmith's trade. In 1838 he emigrated to New York, where he remained about six years, and then came to Butler, Pennsylvania, and became a member of the firm of Walter & Reiber, subsequently changed to Reiber & Boos, and finally to Reiber & Brother. He afterwards engaged in the distillery business, as a member of Jacob Reiber & Company, then in the wholesale liquor business, which he continued until his death, April 10, 1892. He married Margaret, daughter of Michael Burkhalter, of Alsace, Germany, in 1841. The fruits of this union were nine children, six of whom died in their childhood. Those living are: George J.; Mary, wife of John McComber, and Alfred M., all residents of Butler. Mrs. Reiber is living in the old homestead, which was erected by her husband in 1848. The family are adherents of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Democratic.

George J. Reiber, son of George Reiber, was born in the borough of Butler, September 22, 1850. He received a public school education, and afterwards spent a year and a half in a grocery store. In 1879 he went to Colorado and was engaged in the silver mining business for eight years. Returning to Butler he clerked in the dry goods store of Alfred M. Reiber a number of years, and is now a member of the firm. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and Democratic in politics.

Alfred M. Reiber, son of George Reiber, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, November 22, 1855, was educated in the public schools, and then engaged in clerking for Joseph Horne & Company, of Pittsburg, and afterwards for Horne & Ward, of the same city. In 1886 he returned to Butler and engaged in the dry goods business, which he has successfully continued up to the present. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Lutheran church.

Jacob F. Reiber is the third son of John M. and Mary C. Reiber, of Goeningen, Germany, where his father practiced medicine. His parents were married in 1800, and had a family of six children, as follows: John M., and George, both deceased; Jacob F.; Martin; Mary C, wife of Christian Haubensauk, and Barbara, deceased. The parents both died in Germany, the father dying in 1833, and the mother in 1867. Jacob F. was born at Goeningen, November 5, 1828, and there learned the business of a market gardener. He served in the German army, and in 1854 immigrated to the United States and settled in Butler, Pennsylvania, whither his brother George had preceded him. He engaged in clerking for Roessing & Stein, and afterwards for Eli Yetter, then traveled through the south in the wholesale seed business. In 1856 he formed a

partnership with his brothers, George and Martin, under the firm name of Jacob Reiber & Company, erected a distillery and operated the same until they went into the wholesale liquor business. The firm was dissolved in 1871, Martin retiring, but the firm continued in the wholesale business. Mr. Reiber was married in 1859, to Melissa, daughter of David Henshaw, of which union have been born seven children: Jacob, deceased; Annie, wife of Dean Campbell of Millerstown; Margaret; Frederick T.; Mary; Elizabeth, and Bertha. The family are connected with the Lutheran church. In politics, Mr. Reiber is a Democrat, and has filled the offices of overseer of the poor and collector.

Frederick T. Reiber, son of Jacob F. and Melissa Reiber, was born in Butler, February 8, 1866. He received a common school education, supplemented by a course at Iron City College and at Witherspoon Institute. He worked first for J. C. Hill & Company, of Pittsburg. He was next employed as a hotel clerk for about six years, two years of which he spent at the Willard Hotel, in Butler, and four years at the Central Hotel, East Liberty. In November, 1891, he went into the grocery business in his present store building, on the corner of Jefferson and McKean streets, Butler, erected by his father the same year. He is a member of the Lutheran church, in politics, is a Democrat, and is connected with Good Will Hose Company.

Jacob Keck, justice of the peace and merchant tailor, was born June 26, 1830, in Baden, Germany, on the River Rhine, son of John George and Catherine Keck. He received a common school education in his native land, and also obtained a good knowledge of the French language, and after coming to Butler he took a course in English under a private teacher. He learned the cabinetmaker's trade in Butler, Pennsylvania, to which place he immigrated in 1850. In 1860 he started in business for himself, and conducted a growing trade until 1883, and from the beginning up to 1892 he was also extensively engaged in the undertaking business. From 1877 to 1883 he carried on a book and stationery store in connection with merchant tailoring, the latter of which he still continues. In 1869 he was elected a justice of the peace, which office he has filled continuously up to the present. He has been a member of the borough council six years, has served on the school board for the same period, and is secretary of the Workmen's Building and Loan Association, which position he has filled five years. In politics, he is a Democrat, and one of the active members of his party. Since 1850 he has been a member of the Lutheran church, and has liberally supported that organization. Mr. Keck was married in 1853, to Margaret Kradel, a daughter of John Kradel, of Summit township. She died in 1872, leaving three children, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of Louis Keck; Louisa, wife of Harry S. Klingler, and George F. He married for his second wife, Louisa, a daughter of Adam Trautman, of Pittsburg; she died in 1887, the mother of four children: Theodore C. H.; Edward A., deceased; Gertrude Mary, and Walter J., the last deceased. Squire Keck is one of the public-spirited and progressive business men of Butler, and during his residence here of forty-five years he has won the confidence and respect of its best people.

Jacob Boos, grocery merchant, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, October 21, 1835, and is a son of Charles Boos, born in the same place March 6,

1800. His father was a blacksmith by trade, and died in 1880, having served as a soldier in the German army. He married Barbara, daughter of John Eich, in 1820, and they were the parents of four children: Barbara, who married John Fell, of Germany; William, deceased; Elizabeth, who married Jacob Hahn, of Germany, and Jacob. The mother died in 1853. Both she and her husband were members of the German Reformed church. The subject of this sketch learned the blacksmith's trade in Germany, and emigrated to the United States in 1853. He settled at Pittsburg, and worked at his trade in that city until September 12, 1854, when he came to Butler and entered the employ of Walter & Reiber, blacksmiths. In 1857 he embarked in the blacksmithing business for himself, and in 1860 he purchased the George Egner farm in Butler township, upon which he resided ten years. In 1870 he sold the farm and bought the interest of George Webber in the firm of Webber & Troutman, which title was changed to Troutman & Boos. In 1872 he purchased a half interest in the flouring mills of Grohman & Walter, which then became Walter & Boos, and he owned a half interest in the property until 1890. In 1881 he embarked in the grocery business on the corner of Main and Wayne streets, which site he purchased in 1889, and afterwards erected his present substantial store building. Mr. Boos is one of the enterprising and successful merchants of the borough. He was married, October 21, 1855, to Barbara, daughter of Jacob Walter, of Butler, to which union ten children have been born: Annie M., deceased wife of Adam Hoffner; George, deceased; Louisa, wife of William Voskamp, of Pittsburg; Emma, wife of Charles Kaufman, of Butler; Augusta, deceased; Charles, deceased; Clara, wife of Charles Gregg, of Butler; William, deceased; Catherine, and Lida. Mr. Boos is a Democrat in politics, and the family is connected with the English Lutheran church.

Thaneus Niggel was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in 1814, and learned the stone cutter's trade in his native land. He emigrated to America in 1836 and settled in Butler township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He married Julia, a daughter of Frederick Stehle of Butler township, in 1844, and located at Bald Ridge, whence he removed to the borough of Butler in 1846. He worked at his trade and also ran a restaurant for some years, and then rented the Faller Hotel, which he carried on for two years, and afterwards engaged in operating a restaurant and bakery in Dougal's row. He was also in the stock-raising business for some time. He died in 1862; his widow resides with her son David. They were the parents of five children: Joseph; Thomas F.; John; David, and Rose, wife of S. B. Hughes of Pittsburg. Mr. Niggel and family were early members of St. Peter's Catholic church of Butler.

Joseph Niggel was born in Butler township, Butler county, August 15, 1845, and is the eldest son of Thaneus Niggel. He attended the common schools in boyhood and learned the cabinetmaker's trade, at which he worked until 1866, and then engaged in the restaurant business for one year. He afterwards embarked in general merchandising on the corner of Main and Jefferson streets, which was subsequently changed to the hardware business, under the firm name of C. Koch & Company. In 1872 the firm became Niggel & Brother, and for the past twenty-three years this firm has carried on a successful hardware business.

Mr. Niggle was married October 5, 1869, to Barbara, daughter of A. Rockenstein, Sr., of Butler, to which union have been born six children: Florian T.; Bertha R. N.; Mary D., deceased; Emma C.; Valetta, and Mary. In politics, Mr. Niggel is a Democrat, and has filled the office of assessor for two terms. He is a member of the Butler Brass Band, and the Germania Orchestra. He is also connected with the C. M. B. A., and is a member of St. Paul's Catholic church of Butler.

CHARLES KOCH was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in 1834, received a a good education in his native land, and was a clerk in a government office before his immigration to Williamsburg, New York, in 1854. The following year he located in the borough of Butler, where he found employment as a salesman in Boyd's store. In 1868 he engaged in the hardware business, as senior member of the firm of C. Koch & Company, but in 1872 he sold out and embarked in the grocery business, which is still carried on under the firm name of C. Koch & Sons. Mr. Koch was married in New York to Cresentia Stegher, a daughter of Aurelius Stegher, June 14, 1854. Eight children blessed this union, as follows: Mary, deceased; Frank W.; John G.; Caroline; Charles T.; Stephen A.; Josephine, deceased, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Koch died at his home in Butler, August 5, 1872. He was a life-long member of the Catholic church, to which faith the family belong. His widow is now head of the firm which he established.

FRANK W. KOCH, eldest son of Charles Koch, was born in Butler June 1, 1858, received a common school education, and afterwards attended St. Vincent's College. He then entered his father's store, where he continued clerking until 1887, in which year he became a member of the firm of C. Koch & Sons. He is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, a Democrat.

JOHN G. KOCH, son of Charles Koch, was born in Butler July 12, 1861, was educated in the common schools, entered his father's store as a clerk, and became a member of the present firm in 1887. In politics, he is a Democrat, and is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church.

WILLIAM RICHEY was a son of Nathaniel Richey, a native of Wales, who settled in Armstrong county, where William was born in 1811. He grew to manhood in that county, and in 1830 came to Butler and was engaged in teaming between Butler and Pittsburg until 1869. He also conducted a store and bakery in the borough for many years. In early life he was a Whig, subsequently a Republican, and later a Democrat, and filled the office of constable in the borough. He was reared in the Lutheran faith, but in later years he united with the Presbyterian church, and afterwards became a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, in which faith he died. Mr. Richey married Amy Brinker, August 4, 1840, to whom were born five children: Abraham B.; Louisa, wife of Joseph Henry; John A.; Mary, wife of Edward Fleming, and one who died in infancy. Mrs. Richey died in 1854, and he married for his second wife Mrs. Simon Mechling, nee Ziegler, and had two children: Charley, and Julia. Mr. Richey always manifested a deep interest in public matters up to his death, which occurred August 15, 1892.

JOHN A. RICHEY, second son of William and Amy (Brinker) Richey,

was born in the borough of Butler, June 13, 1848, received a public school education, and subsequently learned the baker's trade in Pittsburg. In 1869 he established a bakery at Butler, in partnership with his father, but in 1870 he removed to Greece City, Butler county, and remained there three years. In 1873 he was appointed county detective, which position he filled for five years, and in 1879 engaged in the hotel business at Karns City. Three years later he opened a hotel at Renfrew, which he carried on for five years, and then returned to Butler, where he established his present bakery and confectionery and also engaged in the ice business. Politically, he is a Democrat, and was a candidate for clerk of courts in 1874, but was defeated in the convention by only one vote. Mr. Richey was married December 28, 1873, to Lydia, daughter of Philip Burtner, of Saxonburg, and has had one child by this union, which died in youth. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and K. of P., and is an adherent of the Protestant Episcopal church.

A. B. Richey was born in Summit township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1842, where he was reared and received a common school education. He learned the shoemaker's trade, at which he worked until his enlistment in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers. His company went into camp at Kittanning, where he was mustered into the service, thence to Pittsburg, and down the Ohio to Kentucky. He served in the Greene river campaign under General Buell, thence to Alabama, and Tennessee, where he participated in the siege of Nashville. He next took part in the battle of Stone River, under General Rosecranz, where the Seventy-eighth made one of the grandest charges during the war. The regiment here became a part of the Fourteenth Army Corps, and Mr. Richey participated in the following battles in which that corps served: Dug Gap, Chickamauga, Buzzard's Roost, Dalton, New Hope Church, Pumpkin Vine Creek, Atlanta and Jonesboro. In the fall of 1863, at Decker Station, he served as provost guard of General Negley's headquarters, and was in charge of the ambulance corps in the Fourteenth Army Corps. Under General Rosecranz order, dated at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, February 14, 1863, establishing a roll of honor for the promotion of courage and efficiency in the army, Mr. Richey was chosen by his company for that honor. He never missed a roll call, march or battle in which his regiment was engaged during his term of service. When his term had expired he was sent back to Nashville, and volunteered to serve in a raid on General Forrest. Returning to Kittanning, he was honorably discharged, November 4, 1864, whence he came to Butler. Mr. Richey was married May 7, 1866, to Amanda, daughter of George Christley of Centreville, and has six children: Harry; Clara, deceased; Leah; William, deceased; Amie, deceased, and Orrie. Mr. Richey worked at his trade after the war, but in 1880 he went into the coal business, which he has continued up to the present. Politically, he is a Republican, has served as assistant burgess of Butler, and was postmaster at Centerville from 1866 to 1868. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and has been a trustee in that organization. He is connected with the E. A. U., and is a charter member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., of which organization he is now commandant.

Mr. Richey has been elected three times a delegate to the State encampment, and in 1893 was a national delegate to the G. A. R. convention at Indianapolis.

CHARLES N. BOYD is a son of W. S. and Margaret (McCafferty) Boyd, and was born at Sarversville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, May 27, 1852. His paternal grandfather, Rev. Abraham Boyd, was a native of Ireland, and came with his father, John Boyd, to Westmoreland county at an early date. Rev. Abraham Boyd was a graduate of Canonsburg College, and for many years was located in Allegheny county. He established the Westminster and Buffalo Presbyterian churches of Butler county, and was one of the well known ministers of pioneer days. He first wife was Eleanor Hillis. Some time after her death, he married Mrs. Agnes Scott. W. S. Boyd, the father of our subject, was born in Allegheny county in 1818. In 1850 he located at Sarversville, Butler county, where he was engaged in general merchandising until 1854. In that year he settled upon a part of the old homestead, in Allegheny county, and spent the remainder of his life in agricultural pursuits. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church for many years, and died July 25, 1865. By his marriage to Margaret, daughter of James McCafferty, he was the father of three children, as follows: James S.; Mary E., deceased wife of J. S. Christie, and Charles N. The subject of this sketch was reared in Allegheny county, and learned the tinner's trade. In 1874 he formed a partnership with his brother, James S., and established a drug business at Tarentum, removing to Connellsville in 1876, where he remained three years in the same business. He also carried on the drug business in Somerset county. In the spring of 1887 he established his present drug store in Butler, and has since built up one of the leading business houses of the borough. Mr. Boyd was married in 1880, to Della G., daughter of David Carson, of Connellsville, who died in 1882. His second wife was Agnes, a daughter of the Rev. J. M. Barnett, of Washington, Pennsylvania, whom he married December 5, 1889. One daughter, Martha Eleanor, is the fruit of this marriage. Mr. Boyd is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is an elder in the Butler organization. He belongs to the Masonic order, and in politics, is a Republican. He is one of the public-spirited and enterprising business men of the borough.

JOSEPH KEMPER was born in Westphalia, Prussia, November 16, 1828. In 1844 he immigrated to the United States, and located at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where he learned the harnessmaker's trade. After serving his apprenticeship he located in business at Worthington, Armstrong county, in July, 1853, and in October, 1854, purchased a farm in Clearfield township, Butler county, upon which he resided until September, 1865, when he moved to Butler, and established the harness store carried on by his son, Frank, up to 1895. He conducted this business successfully until 1889, when he retired from active life. Mr. Kemper married Eva, daughter of Andrew Korb of Clearfield township, which union was blessed with five children: Bernard; Frank; Mary; Maggie, deceased wife of Michael Duffy, of Bradford, Pennsylvania, and Joseph, who is known as Father Peter, of the Capuchin Order. Mrs. Kemper died in 1865, and he married for his second wife Margaret Bruner, to which union have been born four children: Anna, wife of Joseph Jordan; John; Anthony, and Eva. The family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. Kemper is a Democrat.

C. K. Boyd.

Bernard Kemper, eldest son of Joseph and Eva Kemper, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, May 15, 1854, and received his education in the public schools and at St. Peter's Parochial school of Butler, and subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute. In 1869 he commenced learning the shoemaker's trade, worked at that business for several years in various places, then embarked in business under the firm name of Kemper & Shank, which lasted for two years. He then continued working at his trade until 1891, when he started a general repair shop, which he has since continued. Mr. Kemper was married in 1874, to Philomena, daughter of Joseph Weigand, of Butler, to which union have been born six children: Frank; Mary; Wilbert; Eleanor; Aloysious J., and Raymond B. The family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, and Mr. Kemper is connected with the C. M. B. A., and the B. P. O. E. In politics, he is a Democrat.

Frank Kemper, second son of Joseph and Eva Kemper, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, February 15, 1856, and received his education in the common and parochial schools of Butler. He learned the harnessmaker's trade with his father, and in 1889 he bought out the latter and up to 1895 conducted business at the old stand. Mr. Kemper married Lena, daughter of Joseph Fisher of Butler, and they are the parents of three children, all of whom are living: Ernest F.; Anna M., and George M. The family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, and Mr. Kemper is connected with the C. M. B. A. Politically, he is a Democrat.

William J. Ayres was born in the borough of Butler, in March, 1811, son of Gen. William Ayres, one of the prominent, influential pioneers of the town. He was educated at a subscription school, and followed the manufacture of woolen goods, erecting what was long known as the Union Woolen Mills. In 1836 he married Harriet F. McCarns, a daughter of James McCarns, of Fayette county, and to this union were born five children, viz.: Jane E., who married Dr. Thomas McMillan; Margaret A., who married William A. Jackson, of Shenango township, Mercer county; Hugh A.; William H. H., deceased, and DeWitt C. Mr. Ayres died April 9, 1867, and his wife, in October, 1886.

Capt. H. A. Ayres was born in Butler borough, February 10, 1839, eldest son of William J. and Harriet F. Ayres. He received a common school education, and learned the jeweler's trade with W. W. Wilson of Pittsburg. On the breaking out of the Rebellion his was the first name enrolled in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, the first company raised in Butler county. He enlisted April 17, 1861, and was mustered into the service at Harrisburg eight days later. His company was commanded by Capt. John N. Purviance, and served three months. When his term of service expired, he and William S. Jack recruited Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, of which he was elected second lieutenant. While serving on Gen. John F. Miller's staff, he was promoted to captain, for meritorious services in the field and fidelity and judgment in the performance of his duty. He commanded his company until November 4, 1864, when his term of service having expired, he again became a member of General Miller's staff until the close of the war. Returning to Harrisville, Butler county, he engaged in merchandising, and afterwards went into

the oil industry. In 1887 he was elected register and recorder of Butler county, on the Republican ticket, and served in that capacity for three years. Captain Ayres was married on October 17, 1861, to Elizabeth Kerr, a daughter of Judge James Kerr, of Harrisville, to which union have been born six children, as follows: Priscilla, wife of Thomas H. Greer; Harriet L., wife of John C. Graham; Mary; James K., deceased; John, and Paul, the last deceased. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church.

George Ketterer is a son of Frederick and Dorothea (Householder) Ketterer, natives of Germany, where his father was born in 1819. Frederick Ketterer was a farmer, and both he and wife died in Germany, the former in 1882, and the latter in 1891. Their family consisted of the following children: Frederick, deceased; Jacob; Henry, deceased; Dorothea, who married Frederick Foell; George; Charles; Philip; Sarah, who married Philip Hoffner; Frederick, deceased, and one who died in infancy. The subject of this sketch was born in Alsace, Germany, September 14, 1854, and in 1870 emigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where he learned the upholstering trade. He came to Butler in 1874, and in 1876 embarked in business for himself. He subsequently added the furniture business, which he is still engaged in. He erected the building which he now occupies, also the Western Union Telegraph building, and the City Hall. Mr. Ketterer was married September 30, 1878, to Sophia, daughter of Valentine Feigel of Butler. Seven children are the fruits of this union as follows: Frederick; Albert G.; Augusta K.; Edward L.; Clarence H.; John W., and Dorothea M. The family are adherents of the Reformed church, in which body Mr. Ketterer fills the office of deacon. He is a Democrat in politics; is a member of the Masonic order, and is connected with the A. L. of H. He has also served as school director, and takes a commendable interest in the prosperity of his adopted home.

William Cooper was born in Huntington, Huntingdonshire, England, February 6, 1846. His father, John Cooper, was born in the same shire November 5, 1819, and was a merchant tailor and clothier. He was ordained a minister of the Baptist church in 1850, and in connection with his business devoted a portion of his time to preaching the gospel. He married Ann, daughter of John Watts of the same place, in March, 1843, to which union were born ten children: Mary A., wife of John Ward; Amelia, wife of Richard Palmer; William; Henrietta, wife of Richard Watts; Emma, wife of Thomas Bridge; John; George; Esther; Alfred, and Florence, deceased. The subject of this sketch learned merchant tailoring at Leeds, Yorkshire, England, commencing his trade at the age of thirteen years. He worked as a tailor for several years, and then went to London, where he took a course in the art of cutting, remaining there three years. He then emigrated to Cleveland, Ohio, where he entered the employ of Alfred Eyers, with whom he remained three years and a half, subsequently spent two years and a half with Carson & Company, and three years with Henry Beckman & Company. These were the largest firms in Cleveland at that time. From Cleveland he went to Newburg, Ohio, and worked for George Small some two years. Returning to Cleveland he became designer and cutter for S. Mann-Austrian & Company, with whom he remained two years, and for

the next eighteen months traveled through Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, working at his trade. Again returning to Cleveland he filled the position of pattern designer for a wholesale house for eighteen months, and afterwards entered the service of the Cherry Valley Iron Company at Leetonia, Ohio, where for three years and a half he filled the position of manager of their merchant tailoring and clothing department. Coming to Butler he filled the position of cutter for William Aland until January 1, 1894, when he engaged in business as a member of the firm of Young & Cooper. The former retired January 1, 1895, and the firm then became Cooper & Company. Mr. Cooper was married November 27, 1867, to Harriet, daughter of Daniel Charles, of Cambridgeshire, England. They are the parents of seven children: Florence; Kate; William; Nellie; John; Peter, and Paul.

Jacob S. Young, merchant tailor and oil operator, was born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1856, son of John Young, and was reared on the homestead farm in Butler county. In 1883 he engaged in general merchandising at Brownsdale, which he continued for nearly three years, and was postmaster at that point during this period. He afterwards carried on a store for three years at Dutchtown. Since 1883 he has been an oil producer, and quite successful in that line of business. In 1890 he purchased a residence in Butler, where he has since resided. He embarked in the merchant tailoring business January 10, 1894, as a member of the firm of Young & Cooper, which was dissolved January 1, 1895, Mr. Young retiring. He then established the present store of J. S. & J. P. Young, on the corner of Main and Jefferson streets. Mr. Young was married February 15, 1891, to Nannie P., daughter of William Graham, of Forward township, and has three children: Florence M.; Harry W., and Edna G. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and politically a Republican.

George Miller was born near Harper's Ferry, Virginia, in 1799, grew to manhood in his native county, and learned the cabinetmaker's trade. He removed from Virginia to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and thence to Butler, where he purchased property and engaged in the furniture business, which he followed for many years, In 1828 he married Eliza Maharg, a daughter of John Maharg of Forward township, Butler county, to which union were born eleven children, as follows: Catherine, who married Dickson Barkley; John; Joseph, deceased; James H.; Presley, deceased; Newton, deceased; Eliza J., wife of George McBride of Butler; William A, deceased; Margaret, wife of William Daubenspeck; Henry, and Sarah B., who married Clarence Bolton. Mr. Miller died January 31, 1873, and his wife in September, 1893. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, and among the pioneers of the Butler congregation, in which he held the office of elder. Politically, he was a Republican, and served as county commissioner and treasurer of Butler county.

James H. Miller was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1833, was educated in the public schools of the borough, and learned the chairmaker's trade. He afterwards engaged in the furniture business, which he followed until the spring of 1890. In September, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered into the service at Kittanning,

and served three years, being honorably discharged in August, 1864. In 1881 he was elected, on the Republican ticket, treasurer of Butler county, and served a full term, and in February, 1890, he was elected overseer of the poor of Butler borough. Mr Miller is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is a charter member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., also of the Union Veteran Legion, and is connected with the K. of H. He has been twice married; first to Miss Mary A. Cunningham, in 1857, who died the following year. He married for his second wife, Mrs. Harriet Milligan, widow of Joseph Milligan, of Armstrong county, in 1867.

William H. Ritter, son of Karl L. Ritter, a native of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and Sarah J. (Gibson) Ritter, a daughter of William Gibson, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, was born in Allegheny City, August 3, 1843, and obtained a common and select school education. He began life for himself as a salesman in Pittsburg, continuing until he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Ninety-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, in which he served until the regiment was mustered out, when he returned home. In 1868 he purchased the general store of James R. Sampson, at Newport, Pennsylvania, which was carried on until 1870 under the name of Ritter & Ralston. The firm then sold out and located in Butler, where they began business September 20, 1871, and for many years carried on the largest dry goods and millinery business in the borough. Mr. Ritter was married September 4, 1873, to Minnie H. Patterson, a daughter of Col. Joseph P. Patterson, of Butler, to which union six children have been born, as follows: Charles P.; William H.; Joseph L.; Susan F.; Sarah J., and Edna M. Himself and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he is an ardent Republican, has served as a member and secretary of the state central committee, has been a delegate to party conventions, and is recognized as one of the most active and successful workers in local politics. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., and also of the Royal Arcanum.

William S. Graham was born in New Enterprise, Bedford county, Pennsylvania, May 25, 1855, and is a son of James H. and Susan (Snoeberger) Graham of Penn township. He received a common school education and subsequently attended the State Normal School at Indiana, Pa., afterwards teaching for five years. He was a salesman for Berg & Cypher of Butler, and was next appointed agent for the United States Express Company, which position he filled for three years at Butler, and one year at Dunkirk, New York. In 1887 he embarked in the grocery business as junior member of the firm of Bellis & Graham, and was also interested in the oil business. In 1891 he retired from the grocery business, and became agent for the United States Express Company in Allegheny City. In June, 1893, he again went into the grocery business at his former stand in Butler, and still continues the same. Mr. Graham was married September 4, 1881, to Esther, daughter of Israel Seaman of Penn township, and has five children: Charles; Dora; Harry; Nanny, and Ethel. In politics, he is a Republican, and in religious faith, a member of the Presbyterian church.

John B. Reed was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1832, and grew to manhood in that county. He received a common school education, and

devoted a portion of his life to teaching music. He was a boatman on the Pennsylvania canal, and lived at Tarentum, Allegheny county. In 1864 he went into the general merchandising in that town, removed to Riddle's Cross Roads three years after, where he engaged in the same business, and was also postmaster at that point. He afterwards conducted a store at Flick, whence he returned to Tarentum, where he continued merchandising until 1875, when he sold out and retired from business. Mr. Reed married Matilda, daughter of John Miller of Mt. Chestnut, Butler county, to whom were born six children: John M.; Rachel B.; Adam W.; Martha J., who married W. T. McCandless of Franklin township; James H., and Carson N. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, a leader in the choir for many years, and also an elder in that organization. His wife died March 16, 1875; he survived her until June 10, 1890.

John M. Reed, eldest son of John B. Reed, was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, February 9, 1860, and received a common school education. In February, 1876, he engaged in clerking for Bellis & Gerlach of St. Joe, Butler county. The following June he took a similar position in the store of Ritter & Ralston, of Butler, with whom he remained until July, 1883. He then filled the position of salesman in B. C. Huselton's store until December, 1889, when he embarked in the grocery business, which he sold February 1, 1894, and purchased the agency for all the Pittsburg daily papers coming to Butler. Mr. Reed was married March 29, 1881, to Elizabeth, daughter of John McFall of Smith's Ferry, Beaver county, and has five children: Susan M.; Bessie B.; Nellie J.; Endell N., and Ralph E. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler, in which he is financial secretary of the official board, and has been secretary of the Sabbath school for seventeen years. He is a Republican in politics, and is connected with Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 272, I. O. O. F., also the P. H. C., and is secretary and accountant of the John S. Campbell Hose Company.

Peter Biehl was born in Rolenburg, Germany, in 1820 grew to manhood in his native place, and there learned the trade of coppersmith. He immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1848 and located in Butler, where he went into the tin and coppersmith business. In 1859 he purchased the present location of his son Henry, and in 1873 he bought a part of the Millard tract, in the borough of Butler. He married Martha Bodesheim, a native of Germany, and was the father of five children: Henry; Conrad; William G.; George C., and one that died in infancy. Mr. Biehl died February 7, 1876; his widow resides in Butler. He was an adherent of the Reformed church.

Henry Biehl, eldest son of Peter Biehl, was born in the borough of Butler, July 30, 1850. After receiving a public school education, he took a course in book-keeping at Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburg, and afterwards learned the tinning and roofing trade with his father. In 1875 he obtained an interest in the business, and July 1, 1889, he purchased the interest of all others and has since been sole proprietor. Mr. Biehl was married May 5, 1885, to Ida B. May, a daughter of Rev. Josiah May, pastor of Sugar Creek Reformed church, Armstrong county. She died November 23, 1887. He was again married, September 3, 1891, to Joanna M., daughter of Eli Naly, of Greensburg, Pennsylvania. One child, Eleanor H., deceased, has been born to this union. Mr. Biehl is a

member of Bethany Reformed church, of which he has been deacon, and is now an elder, and is also librarian of the Sabbath school. Politically, he is a Democrat.

John D. Jackson was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, May 2, 1845, and is a son of John E. Jackson. His father was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, August 8, 1812, and was a wheelwright, and carried on business at Springfield, Pennsylvania. His mother was Maria, daughter of Joseph Milnes of Berks county, and his parents were married in 1832. They had seven children: Elizabeth; Joseph M.; David E.; Mary E., and Samuel, both deceased; John D., and Hannah M. The parents were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and subsequently attended the State Normal School at Millersville, Pennsylvania. He afterwards learned the miller's trade, and in 1870 he entered his brother's store at Freeport, Pennsylvania, as salesman. In 1878 he came to Butler and embarked in the hardware business as a member of the firm of Jackson & Mitchell, which has since carried on business successfully. Mr. Jackson was married December 16, 1873, to Agnes J., daughter of Judge James Mitchell, of Summit township, and has one son, John H. Both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler, in which organization he has been a steward, and is now one of the trustees. Politically, he is a Republican, and one of the liberal, enterprising citizens of the community.

John Mitchell, son of James Mitchell, Sr., was born on the homestead farm in Summit township, Butler county, December 7, 1828, received a common school education, and afterwards attended Witherspoon Institute. He followed agriculture until 1864, and then removed to the borough of Butler where he became a member of the firm of Mitchell & Company, in the livery business. He sold out in 1868 and went into the lumber business in partnership with George Webber, but engaged in the livery business again in 1875. He was afterwards assistant assessor in the United States revenue service, and in 1878 he was appointed sheriff of Butler county. Mr. Mitchell was married June 5, 1856, to Angeline McJunkin, a daughter of William McJunkin, of Centre township. The following children were born to this union: Margaret H., wife of J. C. McJunkin; George, deceased; Sarah E., wife of J. M. Galbreath; Nancy P., wife of Dr. S. M. Bippus; Edith J., wife of L. M. Shira, and Orwell H. Mrs. Mitchell died December 18, 1891. Mr. Mitchell is a stanch Republican, is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is connected with the Masonic order.

Christopher Stock, Sr., was born in Germany, September 16, 1815, received a parochial school education, and was apprenticed to the trade of architect and contractor. In 1847 he married Elizabeth Wentzel, of Dettinger, Germany, who became the mother of six children, as follows: Mary; John; Philopena; Christopher; Christopher, (2); Margaret, who married J. W. Higgins, all of whom are dead, except the two last mentioned. Mr. Stock immigrated to the United States, and settled in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he purchased property of John Negley. He resided in this borough until his death, June 27, 1859. His widow died December 16, 1881. They were members of St. Peter's Catholic church, to which faith their descendants belong. Politically, Mr. Stock was a

Democrat, but outside of exercising the rights of franchise, he took little interest in political affairs.

CHRISTOPHER STOCK was born in the borough of Butler, April 28, 1855, and was here reared and educated. In 1869 he attended the coal business of James A. Negley, and the following year began learning the tinning and roofing trade with Anthony Rockenstein, for whom he worked until 1879. He then purchased the business of A. C. Naggle, and has been conducting the tinning and roofing business ever since. In 1885 he purchased his present store property, then known as the old Wise stand, which he has since rebuilt. Mr. Stock was married October 13, 1881, to Elizabeth, a daughter of Anthony Rockenstein, of Butler, to which union one child, Ernest F., was born, January 13, 1883. Mrs. Stock died January 22, 1883, and he was again married, October 14, 1884, to Amelia, daughter of Joseph Wagner, of Butler. Five children have been born to this marriage, as follows: Amelia; Christopher; Mary; Lillian, and Charles Joseph, the two last mentioned being the only survivors. Mr. Stock and wife are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, of which he was secretary for two terms, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He is also a member of the Catholic Knights of St. George, of which he is secretary and treasurer. In 1888 he went into the oil business, and is now interested in seventeen producing wells in Butler county. In connection with his tinning and roofing business, he carries a stock of hardware, glass and paint, and is one of the substantial merchants of the borough.

WILLIAM H. O'BRIEN, plumber, gas fitter, etc., was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, June 11, 1847, son of Samuel and Eliza (Devlin) O'Brien. His grandfather, Michael O'Brien, was born in Baltimore, Maryland, to which city his father immigrated from Waterford, Ireland. Michael married Margaret Hook, a native of Philadelphia, December 1, 1801, the ceremony being performed by Dr. Carroll, the first Catholic Bishop of the United States. In June, 1806, Michael and family came to Pittsburg, where he died in 1816. His widow died at Latrobe, in 1854. He was an architect, but never followed that profession, devoting his attention to mercantile pursuits. Samuel O'Brien, father of our subject, was born in Pittsburg, about 1813, grew to manhood in that city, and followed contracting and building. He married Eliza Devlin, and was the father of the following children: Margaret, widow of James Call; Joseph, deceased, who served in Company H, Sixty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers; Mary, wife of F. J. Totten; Samuel F., agent of the Humane society, of Pittsburg; William H., and Elizabeth, wife of William Kane. Mr. O'Brien died in 1869; his widow is living in Pittsburg. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native city, received a common school education, and at eighteen began learning the pattern-maker's trade, but after a few months changed to the plumbing and gas fitting, at which he worked in Pittsburg for eighteen years. He next spent three years in Oil City, where he carried on business with G. F. Shutte. In January, 1888, they started in business on Jefferson street, in Butler, and in the spring of 1892 Mr. O'Brien bought out his partner, and became sole proprietor, but has since taken in his son Albert F., the firm now being W. H. O'Brien & Son In 1870 he married Elizabeth Wendling, a daughter of John Wendling, of Pittsburg,

which union has been blessed with the following children: Albert F.; Stella; Ida; William H.; Bessie; Samuel; Marie; Joseph H.; Camilla; Murry, and two that died in infancy. The family are members of St. Paul's Catholic church, and Mr. O'Brien is connected with the C. M. B. A. He is a stanch Democrat, and is one of the energetic and progressive business men of the borough.

FRANK J. HUFF, son of David and Melinda Huff, natives of West Virginia, was born at Niles, Michigan, December 29, 1854. After receiving a common school education, he learned the plumber's trade, at Cleveland, Ohio, and subsequently worked in Baltimore, and Washington, D. C., whence he returned to Cleveland. In 1887 he located in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he purchased the plumbing establishment of Jefferson Burtner, which he has since carried on. In 1882 he married Theresa, a daughter of Henry Kline, of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and has two children: Forrest, and Frank H. Mr. Huff is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

GEORGE C. BELLIS, second son of Sipe and Mary (Myers) Bellis, was born in Portersville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, December 24, 1849, and received a common school education in the schools of that vicinity. In 1865 he engaged in the lumber business, which he continued until 1873, and then embarked in merchandising at Greece City, and subsequently at St. Joe. He was also in the oil business during this period. He came to Butler and embarked in the grocery business in 1879, as a member of the firm of Bellis & Miller. They sold out to Mays & Murphy, but continued the business at another point. In 1885 he bought out Mr. Murphy's interest in the old firm, which then became Bellis & Mays, but again sold in 1890. In 1891 he formed a partnership in the grocery business under the firm name of Bellis & Golden, which has since been changed to Bellis & Myers. Mr. Bellis is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is a Democrat in politics, and is a member of the K. of P. He was married January 28, 1875, to Grizella, daughter of Josiah Miller of Mt. Chestnut, and has five children: George F.; Plummer L.; Charles; May, and Blanche B.

RUDOLPH WESER was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in 1826, and learned the stonemason's trade in his native land. He came to the United States in 1848, and settled in the borough of Butler, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade as a contractor. He built the jail, Jefferson street school building, the Judge McCandless residence and the Dougherty building, and also erected the jail at Greensburg, Pennsylvania. In 1870 he was married to Annie, daughter of Leonard Wise, of Butler, to which union were born five children: Norbert T.; Gertie; Rose; Bertha, and Mark. Mr. Weser died October 7, 1886, in the faith of the Catholic church, to which denomination his family belongs. Politically, he was a Democrat, and a good, industrious citizen. His widow resides with her son Norbert.

NORBERT T. WESER, eldest son of Rudolph Weser, was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, January 25, 1871, and was educated in the public schools and at Duff's Business College, Pittsburg. He was then appointed assistant book-keeper at the Butler Glass Works, and afterwards clerked for J. F. T. Stehle. In the spring of 1887 he opened a stationery and news depot, which he sold to J. S. Jack in April, 1893. He is now manager for the Butler Automatic Machine

Company, also district manager for the Metropolitan Loan and Savings Association of Camden, New Jersey, for western Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Catholic church, and is connected with Branch Number 56, C. M. B. A., also the B. P. O. E. Politically, he is a Democrat, and has been elected to office several times. He is a member of Company E, Fifteenth Regiment, National Guard, also of the Good Will Hose Company.

Orin M. Philips was born in Penn township, Butler county, December 11, 1857, and is the eldest son of John Philips. After receiving a common school education, he found employment in a brickyard, and in 1877 he began clerking for G. Wilson Miller & Brother, of Butler. In 1885 he went on the road as a traveling salesman for the wholesale grocery house of Reeves, Parvin & Company, of Philadelphia, and in 1888 he embarked in the grocery business in Butler, as a member of the firm of Haley & Philips. In 1889 he bought Mr. Haley's interest, since which time he has carried on the business alone. Mr. Philips married Nettie, daughter of S. C. Nice, of Sandy Lake, Mercer county, and is the father of two children: Lucile, deceased, and Francis. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Absolom Grove was born in New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, in 1836, received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade before arriving at maturity. He followed his trade until 1861, when he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, commanded by Captain Douglass, and participated in all of the battles in which that regiment was engaged down to Gettysburg, where he was killed. In 1857 Mr. Grove married Anna M. Ramsey, who bore him a family of three children: Jacob H.; William H., and Odessa G., wife of James L. Cannon, of Clark's Station. Mrs. Grove resides in French Creek township, Mercer county.

William H. Grove, youngest son of Absolom and Anna M. Grove, was born in New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, April 13, 1860, and was reared and educated in his native township. He followed agriculture for five years, and then engaged in merchandising at New Lebanon. In 1889 he went to Venango, Crawford county, where he carried on a general store until 1891, then sold out and located in Butler. He established a grocery store in this borough, which he has since conducted successfully. Mr. Grove is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. On November 10, 1888, he married M. Alice McMullen, a daughter of Andrew J. McMullen, of Sandy Lake, Mercer county.

Mark Schneideman was born in Transtadt, Germany, in 1820, and learned the hatter's and furrier's trades in his native land. He immigrated to Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, in 1846, where he followed his trade for twelve years. In 1849 he married Miss Hannach, of Pittsburg, to which union were born two children, as follows: James A., deceased, and Hyman. His wife died in 1855. He married for his second wife a Miss Roesenthal. To this union was born one child, Jennie, now Mrs. Lippman, of Philadelphia. About two years later he was called to part with his second wife. After the lapse of some years he married a third time, to which union was born one son, Dr. T. B. Schneideman, a prominent physician of Philadelphia. Mr. Schneideman came to Butler in 1858

and established a general store, which he conducted until 1871, when he embarked in the clothing business exclusively. In 1877 he sold out and removed to Philadelphia, in which city he still resides.

Hyman Schneideman was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1853, and is the second son of Mark Schneideman. He was educated in the public schools of Butler and at Witherspoon Institute, and subsequently entered his father's store, for whom he clerked until the spring of 1873, when he embarked in business for himself, as junior member of the firm of J. A. & H. Schneideman. His brother died in 1876, since which year he was sole proprietor until a recent date, when he sold out. On February 18, 1880, he married Ella B. Martin, a daughter of Thomas Martin, of Jefferson township, Butler county. Three children have been the fruits of this union, viz.: Clara; Martha E., deceased, and Mary L. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum. In 1885 Mr. Schneideman purchased his present business house, and besides his mercantile business he is also extensively engaged in real estate dealing. He is one of the charter members of Rough Run Manufacturing Company, Limited, which was organized in January, 1892. Mr. Schneideman is one of the enterprising business men of Butler.

Daniel A. Heck, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Rose) Heck, was born in Centre township, Butler county, February 18, 1838. He received a good education, and followed school teaching for seven years. In 1864 he entered the store of Charles Duffy, of Butler, for whom he clerked until 1866. In that year he embarked in business at Apollo, Armstrong county, as a member of the firm of Maxwell & Heck, but returned to his old position in Mr. Duffy's store in 1868. In April, 1873, he became a member of the firm of Heck & Patterson, which existed until 1883, and he then established his present business. On January 10, 1870, Mr. Heck married Mary J. Chambers, a daughter of J. B. Chambers, of Apollo. To this union have been born six children, viz.: Martha E.; John C.; Elizabeth A., deceased; Mary G.; William A., and Edith R. Mr. Heck and wife are connected with the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has served in the borough council, and is one of the enterprising business men of the town. He is a member of both the Lodge and Chapter, F. & A. M., is also connected with the A. O. U. W., the K. of H., the A. L. of H., and the E. A. U.

William G. Douthett, son of David and Jane E. Douthett, was born upon the old homestead in Forward township, Butler county, March 20, 1862, and received his education in the district school. At the age of sixteen years he took charge of his father's farm, and conducted it until January, 1891, when he removed to Butler, and engaged in the livery business. He carried on the livery down to August 1, 1892, when he sold out. In March, 1893, he formed a partnership with Hart W. F. Graham, under the firm name of Douthett & Graham, and established their present clothing and gent's furnishing store on the corner of Main and Cunningham streets, which is one of the leading establishments of the kind in Butler. Mr. Douthett married Sarah C. Bartley, a daughter of Williamson Bartley, of Penn township, and has two children: Jennie B., and Elizabeth B. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, has been a Sabbath school

teacher since the age of twenty-seven, and is now the assistant superintendent of the Sabbath school of the Butler congregation. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, and is one of the enterprising young business men of the borough.

Ebenezer Graham was born within the present limits of Butler, December 25, 1824, son of Robert and Sarah (Brown) Graham. His father settled on the site of Butler in 1797, and his mother was a daughter of Robert Brown, a pioneer justice of the peace of Middlesex township. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and afterwards learned the brickmaker's trade, and manufactured the brick for one of the first houses erected in the borough of Butler. In 1850 he married a Miss Thompson, who lived but two months after marriage. October 18, 1853, he married Wilhelmina Fetter, a daughter of Rev. W. A. Fetter, of Butler, to which union were born the following children: Adolphus W.; Salome C.; Louis L., deceased; Edmund T.; Johanna K., deceased; Hart W. F.; Alvin R.; Earnest O., and Andrew I. M. Mrs. Graham died March 20, 1875. Both she and husband were members of the English Lutheran church of Butler, and pioneers of that society.

Hart W. F. Graham was born in the borough of Butler, August 20, 1866, son of Ebenezer and Wilhelmina Graham. After receiving a common school education, he entered the Union Woolen Mills, of Butler, where he learned the trade of manufacturing flannels, blankets and yarns, and worked at that business until October, 1883. He then entered the store of H. Schneideman, as a salesman, with whom he remained until January 1, 1893. In the following March he formed a partnership with William G. Douthett, under the firm name of Douthett & Graham, and established a general clothing and gent's furnishing store on the corner of Main and Cunningham streets, where they have since carried on business. Mr. Graham was married October 10, 1887, to Anna J. Sheridan, a daughter of Bernard Sheridan, of Clearfield township, and has two children: Alvin A. H., and Le Moyne R. He is a member of the English Lutheran church, of Butler, in which he is now deacon and secretary of the church council. He is also connected with Tent, Number 34, K. O. T. M., and is R. K. of that society.

Alexander S. McBride was born near Lowellville, Ohio, March 3, 1814, son of Samuel and Ann (Struthers) McBride, of the same county. His father was born in 1786, and died May 28, 1827. His mother died May 26, 1865. They were the parents of four sons and three daughters. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, sand attended the pioneer subscription school in boyhood. In 1831, when seventeen years of age, he went to Warren, Pennsylvania, where he learned the printer's trade, after which he located in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he continued at this occupation until his death. Prior to 1851 he was appointed clerk of the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg, which position he filled for several consecutive terms. He afterwards resumed work at his trade, and was at one time editor of the Butler *Herald*. Mr. McBride was married April 30, 1839, to Maria A. McKee, a daughter of Hugh McKee, one of the pioneers of Butler. Seven children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Hugh W., who died in New Mexico, September 20, 1884; Samuel F., who enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and

Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, served until the close of the war, and is now employed in the government printing office at Washington; George A., who died in Butler, April 7, 1883, from blood poisoning, caused by an injury to one of his feet while in the silver mines of Colorado; Isaiah J., a resident of Butler; Cooper F., who read medicine with Dr. Neyman, graduated at the University of Pennsylvania, March 12, 1875, and is now a practicing physician of Youngstown, Ohio; Robert D., a resident of Hemet, California, and Stephen H. Mr. McBride died September 7, 1865, and his wife, May 18, 1881. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, of Butler. He was a stanch Democrat, in politics, and was a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Isaiah J. McBride was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, January 19, 1848, son of Alexander S., and Maria A. McBride. After obtainining a common school education, he learned the painter's trade, which business he has followed up to the present. In April, 1891, he formed a partnership with Charles R. Elliott, and established a wall paper and painter's supply store, and the firm of McBride & Elliott existed until January 29, 1894. Mr. McBride then purchased his partner's interest, and has since carried on the business alone. He was married on July 13, 1871, to Jennie McIntosh, of Evans City, and has three children, viz.: Hugh A., Mary McKee, and James C. Mr. McBride is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is connected with the A. O. U. W. and is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Joseph J. Elliott was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1833, was reared in his native county, and there learned the painter's trade, which he has followed up to the present. In 1856 he married Caroline Rose, of Monongahela City, and eleven children have been born to this union, as follows: Mary U., deceased; Charles R.; Mary A., wife of W. C. McCandless; Elizabeth, deceased wife of O. P. Cochran; Carrie, wife of David Scott; Julia, deceased; Loretta; John T.; Joseph; Frank, and Grace. In 1858 Mr. Elliott came to the borough of Butler, where he has since been engaged in working at his business. Politically, he is a Democrat, was doorkeeper in the Senate in 1871, and of the House of Representatives in 1883; has been a member of the borough council, and also burgess of Butler for two terms. He is a member of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church, and has been a vestryman in that society.

Charles R. Elliott was born in Monongahela City, Washington county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1858, son of Joseph J. Elliott, and came with his parents to Butler in infancy. He was reared in this borough, received a common school education, and learned the painter's trade with his father. In 1891 he engaged in business as a member of the firm of McBride & Elliott dealers in wall papers, etc. He sold his interest to his partner in January, 1894, and the following month opened a similar establishment on West Jefferson street. Mr. Elliott was married July 10, 1885, to Henrietta Fiedler, of Harmony, and has four children, viz.: Julia F.; Clifford A.; John J., and Clara. He is an adherent of the Democratic party.

James H. Douglass, son of Samuel and Jane Douglass, was born in Rostraver township, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1825, and was reared and educated in his native county. He learned photography at

Uniontown, Fayette county, and in the fall of 1857 removed to Kittanning, Armstrong county, and embarked in dentistry. In 1861 he located at Freeport, where he followed the same business. He was appointed postmaster of that place in 1878, and served two full terms. In 1886 he came to Butler, and embarked in the book and stationery business, which he still continues. Mr. Douglass was married on November 13, 1860, to Amanda Henry, a daughter of Alexander Henry, of Kittanning, and has three children, viz.: Madge, Harriet L., and Charles H. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which society he fills the office of trustee. In politics, he is a Republican.

William Miller was born in Newport township, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, in 1821, and is a son of John Miller, a native of this State. He was reared upon his father's farm in Luzerne county, and after arriving at manhood, he settled upon a farm in the same township, where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits until 1859. In that year he removed to Butler county, purchased a farm of 150 acres in Butler township, and resided upon it until 1889, when he retired to Butler, where he at present lives. Mr. Miller has been twice married, his first wife being Helena Hauk, who died in 1860, leaving a family of three children, as follows: G. Wilson, of Butler; Henry, of the same borough, and Emmeline, wife of J. F. Andrews. His second wife was Miss Emmeline Yetter, who has borne him one daughter, Mary, wife of William W. Manny, of Butler. Politically, Mr. Miller is a Democrat, and in religious faith, he is a Lutheran, the family being adherents of the English Lutheran church of Butler.

Henry Miller, second son of William and Helena Miller, was born in Newport township, Luzerne county, September 15, 1851, and received a common school education. In November, 1869, he began clerking for S. R. Dieffenbacher & Company, of Butler, and remained with them and their successors for some two years. He next entered the employ of Charles Duffy, for whom he clerked for three years. In 1875 he formed a partnership with his brother, G. Wilson, under the firm name of G. Wilson Miller & Brother, which continued until 1890. In 1891 he established his present grocery store and has since built up a good trade. Mr. Miller is one of the original stockholders of the Citizens' Gas Company, and the Butler Agricultural Association. In politics, he is a Democrat, but takes no active interest in political matters. He was formerly a member of the German Reformed church, but is now connected with the German Lutheran church. He was married July 25, 1875, to Mary, daughter of Henry Eitenmiller, to which union have been born three children: Charles H.; William W., and Alice E., deceased.

Henry Eitenmiller was born in 1821, in Darmstadt, Germany. He learned the tailor's trade in youth, and early in the forties settled in Butler, where he engaged in that business. In 1869 he opened the Diamond Hotel, now known as the Park, which he carried on for several years. In 1888 he purchased the property now known as the Hotel Butler, which he carried on as the Eitenmiller House until 1892. He then retired from active business, and died May 30, 1893. He married Elizabeth Rimp, of Germany, who survives him. They were the parents of one daughter, Mary, now the wife of Henry Miller. Mr.

Eitenmiller was a stockholder in the Bald Ridge Oil Company, and was quite successful in the accumulation of real estate. He was a Democrat in politics, and was a member of the German Lutheran church.

Marshall A Berkimer was born in Rochester, Pennsylvania, August 23, 1859, and is a son of George H. Berkimer. The latter was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1833, and after arriving at manhood, he was a salesman in the dry goods house of John Dean of that city, also at the Bee Hive. In 1865 he started a general store at Rochester, and then traveled in the wholesale boot and shoe business until his death, which occurred November 12, 1892. In 1856 he married Annie M., daughter of William D. Renno, Sr., of Rochester, and had two children, Jennie E., and Marshall A. His widow resides with her son in Butler. Mr. Berkimer was a member of the Royal Arcanum, and also of the I. O. O. F. The subject of this sketch received a common school education and learned the undertaking business with John Murphy & Company, of Pittsburg, with whom he was ten years prior to January 1, 1893, when he established the undertaking business at 251 South Main street, Butler, under the firm name of Berkimer & Taylor. He married Mary J., a daughter of the late Rev. James A. Clark, of Prospect, Butler county, February 3, 1887. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Jacob C. Burckhalter, son of George and Mary Burckhalter, was born in the City of New York, December 19, 1850, received a common school education, and learned the blacksmith's trade with George Reiber, of Butler, where he located in 1867. He followed his trade for many years, and finally went into the undertaking business, purchasing an establishment in 1893, from E. H. Anderson, which he sold to Berkimer & Taylor. On December 23, 1873, Mr. Burckhalter married Maggie Koch, a daughter of Fred Koch, of Butler, and has two children, George N. and Charles J. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Democratic party. He served as constable for two years, and has been a member of the Butler Fire Department since its organization. Mr. Burckhalter has recently opened an undertaking establishment on West Cunningham street, in the Troutman block.

Robert M. Harper, son of Thomas and Margaret Harper of Concord township, Butler county, was born in that township, May 9, 1830. He was reared upon a farm, and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1850 he went to California, worked in the gold mines for two years, then returned to Butler county, and embarked in merchandising at North Washington. In 1872 he engaged in the oil industry at Parker, and in 1890 removed to Butler, where he is at present residing. He married Eliza J. Mechling, a daughter of Joseph Meching, of Washington township. The following children are the fruits of this union: Alwilda; John H.; Agnes, who married E. H. Anderson, of Butler; Elmer, deceased; Josephine; Jessie, and Frederick. Mr. Harper is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is a trustee, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party.

John H. Harper, son of Robert M. and Eliza J. Harper, was born at North Washington, Butler county, August 23, 1857, received a common school education, and clerked in his father's store at North Washington for several years. He

was afterwards in business at that point as a member of the firm of Harper Brothers. In 1886 he came to Butler and opened a general store, which he has since carried on. Mr. Harper was married March 20, 1883, to Aggie Graham, a daughter of Malcolm and Mary Graham of Wilkinsburg. They are the parents of two children, Frances L., and Grace K., deceased. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, in politics, a Republican, and has served in the borough council. He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the K. of P.

PHILIP SCHAUL, son of Sigismond and Minna Schaul, was born in the town of Buk, Province of Posen, Prussia, August 1, 1866, and came to the United States with his parents in 1874. They settled at Hornellsville, New York, where he was reared and received a common school education. He began clerking in the clothing house of Simon Turk, and in 1885 went into the clothing business as a member of the firm of Schaul Brothers, at Hornellsville. In 1890 the firm of Schaul Brothers & Company was formed and located in Butler, and continued in the clothing trade until 1893, when our subject formed a partnership with Philip Nast, purchased the interests of Schaul Brothers and organized the present firm of Schaul & Nast. This store is one of the largest of its kind in this section of the State, and the largest clothing, hat and gent's furnishing goods establishment in Butler county. Mr. Schaul is a member of Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and of Clement Encampment, and is connected with Tent, Number 34, K. O. T. M., also with Butler Lodge, Number 170, B. P. O. E.

PHILIP NAST, son of Meyer and Etta Nast, was born at Schusk, Prussia, in October, 1851, and came with his parents to Seneca Falls, New York, in August, 1861. He sold goods in his father's store, and also traveled on the road in the same capacity. In 1890 he came to Butler as a member of the firm of Schaul Brothers & Company, which was succeeded in 1893 by the present firm of Schaul & Nast. Mr. Nast was married on July 29, 1890, to Sarah, a daughter of Rev. Sigismond Schaul, of Hornellsville, New York, and has two children, Max and Etta. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and one of the progressive business men of the community.

JAMES P. AIKEN, son of Alexander Aiken, of Wurtemburg, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, was born in that village on October 12, 1826. He received a good education, and followed school teaching and farming. He was a justice of the peace for three terms, associate judge of Lawrence county for two terms, and served many years as a member of the school board. In 1855 he married Nancy J. Frew, a daughter of David Frew, of Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county. Eight children were born to this marriage, as follows: David L.; Agnes, wife of Charles Rhodes; Elsie M., wife of James E. Campbell; Thomas W.; Elizabeth C.; James A.; Annie, wife of Luther Clark, and Edna. Mr. Aiken and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and died on October 12, 1892, and November 20, 1893, respectively.

DAVID L. AIKEN was born on the homestead at Rose Point, Lawrence county, September 27, 1856, and was educated in the common schools, at Edinboro State Normal, and at Duff's Commercial College, graduating from the latter institution in 1884. The following year he came to Butler, and subsequently embarked

in general merchandising, as a member of the firm of Aiken & Campbell, which is still carrying on the same business. He was married on November 12, 1880, to Mary V., daughter of Maj. James H. Klein, of Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, to which union have been born three children, viz.: Lillian, deceased; James C., and Hazel J. Mr. Aiken is a member of Company E, Fifteenth Regiment, N. G. P., and served with his company in the Homestead riots. Politically, he is a Republican, is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is connected with the I. O. O. F., K. of P., and the K. O. T. M.

James E. Campbell, son of Edward and Lavina Campbell, was born in Hickory township, Lawrence county, June 6, 1858, attended the common schools of his district, and followed farming and the plasterer's trade. After reaching his maturity, he embarked in the mercantile business at Grant City, Butler county, and was postmaster of that place. In 1888 he entered the firm of Aiken & Campbell, and has since been engaged in merchandising in Butler, as a member of that firm. On June 30, 1881, he married Elsie M., a daughter of James P. Aiken, of Lawrence county, and has five children, viz.: James E.; Roy A.; Lela; Frank H., and Clarence E. Mr. Campbell is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics a Democrat. He is connected with the K. of P. and the W. of W. The firm of Aiken & Campbell is interested in oil producing, and also stockholders in the Armory Building.

Peter Mangold was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, August 11, 1862, son of John and Caroline Mangold. He was reared in his native township and at Freeport, and received a public school education. He afterwards followed mining in California, Colorado and Idaho until November, 1887, when he returned to Butler county and started a bakery in this borough. He sold out in 1889, and then purchased the grocery store of Charles Minnick, which he has since carried on. Mr. Mangold was also in the ice business, which he disposed of to D. H. Sutton. He was married January 10, 1888, to Anna M. Kline, of Allegheny township, Westmoreland county, and is the father of three children, viz.: George, deceased; Clara May, and one that died in infancy. Politically, he is a Republican.

John George Muntz, a native of Germany, there married Christina Rapp. They immigrated to the United States, arriving at Baltimore, Maryland, July 4, 1804, proceeded to Columbiana county, Ohio, and finally to Harmony, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where they were among the first to build a home, in March, 1805. In 1806 they bought a tract of land in Beaver county, and lived there until Mr. Muntz's death, by accident, on June 4, 1812.

John G. Muntz, youngest child of John George Muntz, lived on the farm in Beaver county until the spring of 1820, when he joined his brother Henry, and they carried on a store at Zelienople, Butler county. In the fall of 1826 he went to Natchez, Mississippi, to fill the position of general manager of a store, whence he returned to Zelienople. In 1835 he was appointed postmaster at that place, which position he held until 1840, and then embarked in the mercantile business at Pittsburg, where he continued until 1854. He then located at Butler, and opened a general store on the site of the Boos building, where he carried on business until 1861. In that year he commenced the coal business, and was exten-

sively engaged in mining down to 1871. He was then elected justice of the peace, and was re-elected in 1876, which office he held at the time of his death, April 12, 1880. He was an ardent Democrat, and an active and prominent worker in the party. Throughout his long residence in Butler he was a prominent member of the English Lutheran church, and also took a deep interest in the prosperity of the public schools, being a member of the school board for a number of years. Mr. Muntz married Mary B. Negley, a daughter of John Negley, one of the first settlers of Butler, to which union were born five children, viz.: Mary A., wife of W. H. H. Fithian; Annie E., and Emeline, both of whom died in infancy; John N., and Catherine R., widow of Judson G. Crane. Mrs. Muntz resides in the old homestead on South Main street.

JOHN N. MUNTZ, only son of John G. and Mary B. Muntz, was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, reared and educated in Butler, and served an apprenticeship at the printer's trade, which he followed for a few years. In 1872 he commenced operating in coal, which has since been his principal business. Mr. Muntz was married in 1886, to Mary D., daughter of the late John P. Kramer, a banker of Allegheny. They are the parents of three children, as follows: John P.; Edward K., and Richard.

JOSEPH COULTER was born in Fermanagh county, Ireland, in 1817, a son of Henry and Sarah (Carson) Coulter. His parents immigrated to the United States when he was a young man, and settled in Franklin township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, where they died. The subject of this sketch was reared on a farm, and afterwards spent one year in the wholesale grocery store of his brother Henry, in Pittsburg. He then went to Memphis, Tennessee, where he was employed as a salesman in the wholesale house of R. A. Parker & Company four years, and later was connected for two years with a branch of the same firm at New Orleans. On his return from the South, he opened a general store at Wurtemburg, Beaver county, which he carried on for a short period. In June, 1847, he located at Unionville, Butler county, opened the first general store in that village, and conducted it successfully forty-four years. He was also extensively engaged in farming and was postmaster of Unionville for many years. Mr. Coulter was married in July, 1859, to Margaret A. McCleary, to which union were born five children, as follows: Annie, wife of Thomas F. Wiley, of McKeesport; Joseph H.; William, deceased; John C., and Margaret. Mr. Coulter was one of the founders of Unionville Presbyterian church, and contributed liberally of his means towards that organization. He was a stanch Democrat, and took an active interest in the success of the measures and principles of his party. In April, 1891, he retired from active business, removed to Butler the following June, and died on September 20, 1891.

JAMES SELLERS was born in Cuyahoga county, Ohio, June 27, 1828, son of Robert Sellers, a native of Yorkshire, England. His father was a tailor, and was married three times, his second wife being the mother of four children, viz.: Thomas; Mary A., who married Captain Dunbar, of Cleveland; Robert, and James, all of whom are dead. In 1826 the family immigrated to Cuyahoga county, Ohio, where Mr. Sellers worked at his trade, and also carried on the merchant tailoring in Cleveland, where his wife died in 1830. He mar-

ried for his third wife a Mrs. Ogram, a native of England, who bore him two children, Elizabeth, wife of Solomon Smith, and Jeffrey, who was drowned in Frazier river, British Columbia. He died in the fall of 1859. The subject of this sketch worked on a farm for many years, and when twenty-one years of age went to California, and spent thirteen years in the gold mines. In 1864 he came to the oil country and the following year located in Franklin, where he carried on the livery business for ten years, and afterwards conducted the same business at Millerstown, until the spring of 1882. He then located in Butler, conducted a livery stable for a year and a half, and then purchased the Eitenmiller House. He ran this hotel until March, 1893, when he sold it to F. S. Clark, and retired from active business. Mr. Sellers was married on November 16, 1866, to Melvina J. Lindsey, of Franklin, and was the father of two children, Frank and Charles. Politically, he was a Republican, was a member of the K. of P., of Millerstown, and also the A. O. U. W., of which he was past M. W.

Philip Daubenspeck, son of George and Elizabeth Daubenspeck, was born on the homestead in Parker township, Butler county, August 28, 1829, and grew to manhood beneath the parental roof. In 1851 he married Nancy Scott, a daughter of James Scott, of Fairview township, and in 1854 he purchased the Reep farm, consisting of ninety-seven acres, which he sold in 1861 and purchased the William Barnhart farm. He resided in Fairview township until 1884, and then removed to Butler, where he had purchased a house and lot of twelve acres of land within the limits of the borough. He has since devoted his principal attention to dealing in real estate. Mr. Daubenspeck is a deacon in the Reformed church, and was the largest contributor towards the erection of the new church building in Springdale. Politically, he is a Prohibitionist. He is one of the wealthy, substantial citizens of his native county.

William Borland was born east of the mountains, in 1799, and was reared upon a farm in Butler county, where his parents settled when he was a child. In 1818 he married Annie Freeman, of Butler township, to which union were born thirteen children, viz: James; Lucinda, who married Abner Bartley; John; Margaret, who married Ellis Russell; William; Rachel, who married W. C. Glenn; Mary J., who married Thomas Armstrong; Lydia A., who married Thomas D. Christie; David F.; Nancy, who married Thomas Graham; Martha; Samuel, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Borland and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he filled the office of elder for many years. In politics, he was a Democrat. He died in 1867, and his wife in 1843.

David F. Borland was born in Butler township, Butler county, March 11, 1834, and was reared upon his father's farm. On April 7, 1858, he married Frances J. Ramsey, a daughter of William Ramsey, of Butler township, and has five children, as follows: William J.; John S.; Emma J., wife of J. B. Argyle; Charles E. and Lynn D. The last mentioned was born in Butler township, December 23, 1867, and in 1883 entered the dry goods store of Ritter & Ralston, and has continued in the same establishment down to the present. He is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., of which he is P. G., and also of Clement Encampment, and is connected with the B. P. O. E., of Butler. David

F. Borland is a member of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has filled the offices of school director, overseer and supervisor. He is engaged in farming and in the dairy business.

John Michael Zimmerman is well remembered as one of the prominent citizens of Butler during his residence here of half a century. He was born at Goeningen, in the Kingdom of Wurtemburg, Germany, in June, 1802, the eldest in a family of five children, and obtained a fair common school education. In 1816 he accompanied Martin J. Reiber to Holland, where they purchased a supply of bulbs and flower seeds, and establishing their headquarters at Moscow, Russia, traveled over that empire disposing of their goods, also through Turkey, Egypt, and other eastern countries, as well as the southern nations of Europe. A severe illness in the fall of 1824 compelled Mr. Zimmerman to return home, and he did not resume his business until the spring of 1826. The following two years he spent in selling his seeds over his former routes. After a brief rest at home, he laid in a supply of flower bulbs and seeds, and crossing the Atlantic located at St. Louis, Missouri, and spent nearly two years selling goods through the southern states and portions of Mexico. In 1830 he returned to Germany, but the following year he again visited this country, bringing with him a supply of seeds, besides a number of old fashioned wooden clocks so familiar in pioneer days, which he sold in the principal towns of the northern states and Canada. Returning to Germany once more, he brought with him his wife and child to Philadelphia, and in 1832 came westward to Butler county, settling on the old Brinker farm, in Summit township. In 1833 he moved into the borough of Butler, taking charge of the tavern which then stood on South Main street, where Miss Sarah McQuistion now resides. About 1838–39 he bought the old Rising Sun tavern, later known as the Vogeley House, which he carried on until 1847–48, when he sold it to William Vogeley, and purchased the Pennsylvania House, where the present Willard Hotel now stands. He conducted business here until 1868, then sold the property to Benjamin Jack and retired to private life. Mr. Zimmerman married Mary B. Vatter, a native of Wurtemburg, Germany, to which union were born fourteen children, eight of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Mary, deceased; Margaret, wife of Walter L. Graham; Jacob, and Annie, both deceased; Catharine, widow of Charles McCandless; Caroline, wife of Capt. Samuel Walker; George M. and Frederica, wife of H. A. Wise. Mr. Zimmerman died in 1876, and his wife in 1883. They were Lutherans in religion, and he tood quite an active part in the erection of the old German Lutheran church, of Butler. In politics, he was a Democrat, filled the office of county treasurer one term, and served in the borough council for several years.

Dr. George M. Zimmerman, son of John Michael Zimmerman, was born in Butler, November 18, 1842, he received his primary education in the public schools, afterward attended Witherspoon Institute, and graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1867. He commenced reading medicine with Dr. Weaver of Canonsburg during his senior year, and after graduation he continued his studies under Dr. Stephen Bredin, of Butler. He attended lectures at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, in 1867–68, and was graduated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in March, 1870. He began

practice in Butler, but removed to Hubbard, Ohio, in the spring of 1871, and in 1872 went to Winona, Minnesota. In 1873 he returned to Butler, where he has continued in active practice up to the present, having been also interested in a drug store during this period. Dr. Zimmerman is a Republican, and has served as a school director for three years. Since 1866 he has been connected with Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M. He was married in August, 1876, to Mrs. Jennie E. Ralston, a daughter of Charles E. Ritter, of Allegheny. Four children have been born to this union, viz.: Mamie G.; Sadie; Frederick M., and John Donald.

Benjamin Jack was born in Worth township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1823, received a common school education, and followed farming until 1858, when he came to Butler and took charge of the old Lowry House. He carried on this hotel for three years, then returned to Worth township and continued to farm until 1864, when he purchased the present Lowry House, which he conducted until 1868. He then purchased the Zimmerman Hotel, now the Willard, where he died, February 12, 1877. After his death the property was sold to Robert Barron. Mr. Jack was married in 1853, to Hannah, daughter of John Kelly, of Parker township. They were the parents of six children, as follows: John S.; Annie E., wife of L. B. Roessing; Benjamin H.; William P.; Clara A., and James P. Mrs. Jack resides with her son, John S. She is connected with the Presbyterian church, to which denomination her husband belonged. In politics, he was originally a Whig and then a Republican, and was an enterprising business man.

John S. Jack, eldest son of Benjamin Jack, was born in Worth township, Butler county, January 5, 1855. He received a common school education, and clerked in his father's hotel until the death of the latter. He subsequently became book-keeper for J. G. & W. Campbell, with whom he remained until April 1, 1893, when he purchased the book and stationery store of Norbert T. Weser, which he has since carried on successfully. Mr. Jack is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, and Clement Encampment, I. O. O. F., and in politics, he is a Republican.

Howard Thompson was born in Nova Scotia, Canada, November 21, 1852, son of John and Elizabeth (Murray) Thompson. In 1868 he located in Venango county, Pennsylvania, where he found employment in the oil field. In 1872 he came to Butler county and engaged in oil producing, in which business he has been very successful. In 1890 he formed a partnership with John D. Brown, purchased the Hotel Lowry, and conducted it until July 31, 1894, when they leased the property and took charge of the McClure House, Wheeling, West Virginia. Mr. Thompson is still largely interested in oil producing in the Pennsylvania and Indiana fields. In 1878 he married Alice Watters, of Martinsburg, Butler county, to which union, one son, Arthur, has been born. Mr. Thompson is a Republican in politics, and is a member of Butler Lodge, F. & A. M.

John D. Brown was born at Monroeville, Buffalo township, Butler county, October 7, 1858, son of Thomas and Sarah (Hoover) Brown, and grandson of John Brown, an early settler of Butler township. He obtained a good education in the public schools of his native township, and at Freeport, and in 1878 entered

the employ of George W. Campbell, as hotel clerk. He remained with Mr. Campbell until 1887, when he engaged in the torpedo business and later in oil producing, which he continued until 1890. In that year he formed a partnership with Howard Thompson, and purchased the Hotel Lowry, which the firm of Thompson & Brown conducted very successfully until July 31, 1894, when they leased the property and took charge of the McClure House, at Wheeling, West Virginia. In 1879 Mr. Brown married Zilla Campbell, a daughter of George W. Campbell. She died February 11, 1887, leaving five children, viz.: Carrie; Blanche; Nellie; Claude, and Charley. In politics, Mr. Brown is a Republican. He is a member of the Masonic order, and is connected with the Lodge, Chapter and Commandery. He is also a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the R. A.

William Henry Reihing was born in the borough of Butler, Pennsylvania, in March, 1861, son of Jacob and Ann (Korn) Reihing. His father was a native of Germany and his mother of Pittsburg. He was reared in Butler until his eighteenth year, and then went to Pittsburg, where he remained several years. He there met Miss Mattie C. Golden, a daughter of Timothy Golden, of that city, whom he married in September, 1882. Three children were born to this union, viz.: Harry; George, and Edna. Soon after his marriage he returned to Butler and entered the employ of George W. Campbell of the Willard Hotel. A year later he leased the property, carried on the business a couple of years successfully, and then purchased it. In 1891 he rebuilt the old structure and fitted it up in first class style, spending $30,000 on the improvements. The new hotel at once took rank with the leading houses of western Pennsylvania, a position it still retains. After reaching this prosperous and successful stage in his career, Mr. Reihing was taken ill, and died February 22, 1892. He was born and reared a Catholic, and died in that faith, to which he had ever given a generous support. Whole-souled and charitable to a fault, he possessed hosts of friends, while his enterprise and public spirit were unbounded. He was connected with the B. P. O. E., and one of the most popular members of Butler Lodge. Mr. Reihing was a good husband, a kind father, a warm friend and a generous supporter of everything calculated to benefit his home.

Frank S. Clark was born in New Wilmington, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, December 1, 1845, and is a son of George H. and Mary E. Clark, both of whom died in that town, in 1867 and 1893, respectively. His father was born in York, Pennsylvania, in 1811, and was a tailor by trade. He settled at New Wilmington, Lawrence county, at quite an early day and engaged in merchant tailoring, and afterwards in general merchandising. He there married, in 1834, Mary E., daughter of Francis Scott, of New Wilmington, to whom were born five children: Mary L.; William A.; Frank S.; Elizabeth, and George P., the last two of whom are dead. Mr. Clark was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and was at one time postmaster of New Wilmington. He was a member and steward of the Methodist Episcopal church of that borough. The subject of this sketch learned the carriage blacksmith's trade, at which he worked eighteen years; he subsequently embarked in the agricultural implement trade in Iowa, and went on the road as a traveling salesman. In April, 1891, he located in But-

ler, as a member of the firm of Loveless & Clark, oil well contractors, subsequently purchased Mr. Loveless's interest, and carried on the business alone until March, 1893. At that time he purchased the Diamond Hotel, changed the name to the Park Hotel, and fitted it up with modern improvements. Mr. Clark married Jemima Thompson December 20, 1865, who died in 1878. On September 8, 1880, he married Louie, daughter of John Locke, of Iowa. In politics, he is a Republican, is a member of the Lodge, Chapter, and Commandery in the Masonic order, and is also connected with I. O. O. F., and B. P. O. E.

J. H. FAUBEL was born in Monroe county, Ohio, November 15, 1858, son of George H., and Anna (Baker) Faubel, natives of Bremen Hesse, Germany, whence they immigrated to Ohio. His parents removed to West Virgina in 1864, where our subject was reared and educated. He then went to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and took a clerkship in the Red Lion Hotel, in 1879, and the following year leased the house and carried it on for two years. He then leased the Hamilton Hotel in the same city, and conducted it for seven years. In 1888 he came to Butler and leased the Vogeley House, carried it on for three years, and then sold his interest and went to Wheeling, West Virginia, near where he located on a stock farm of 500 acres, known as the Virginia Stock Farm, which he had purchased in 1885. He is still engaged in the breeding of standard trotting horses, imported and American and Clydesdale horses, and Holstein and Friesian cattle. In 1892 he purchased the Eitenmiller Hotel, which he remodeled, and changed the name to the Hotel Butler, and is its present landlord. Mr. Faubel is a member of the Butler Land and Mining Company, of the Marshall County Oil and Coal Company, of West Virginia, and of the Sportsman Association of Cheat mountain, the latter State. He has been interested in the development of the oil fields and owns valuable interests in that industry. He is a member of the Masonic order, also of the I. O. O. F., K. of P., and B. P. O. E. In politics, he is a Republican. He was married in 1879, to Alice E., daughter of William Fitz Patrick, of Bellaire, Ohio, and has two children: Zuleika L., and Charlotte I.

WILLIAM J. MCCAFFERTY, youngest son of John and Mary A. (Murrin) McCafferty, was born on the old homestead in Parker township, Butler county, March 16, 1862. He received a common school education, and lived with his parents until reaching the age of nineteen years, when he embarked in the oil business in Bradford county. He subsequently returned to Butler, Pennsylvania, and engaged in the livery business, also conducted the bus-line, in which he continued four years. Selling out his stock he engaged in oil producing and later opened a restaurant. In 1891 he formed a partnership with D. F. McCrea, under the firm name of McCafferty & McCrea, and established a wholesale liquor house, and in August, 1894, they became proprietors of the Hotel Lowry. Mr. McCafferty has always been an active Democrat, and while a resident of Parker township was chairman of the township committee. Although he has never sought public office, he has always contributed liberally in time and money toward the success of his party. He was married June 16, 1886, to Anna J., daughter of Michael and Elizabeth (Collins) Conway, of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, and both he and wife are members of St. Paul's Catholic church. He is a mem-

ber of Branch, Number 56, C. M. B. A., and is also connected with Butler Lodge, Number 170, B. P. O. E.

ALEXANDER WILLIAMS was born at Kittanning, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, May 19, 1861. His father, Wilson Williams, was a native of the same place, born in 1834, and a molder by trade. He was also a pilot on the river for many years. He married Henrietta, daughter of Alexander McKinley of Indiana, Pennsylvania, in 1860, who bore him a son, Alexander. Wilson Williams enlisted in Company A, Eighth Pennsylvania Reserve, in which he served as orderly sergeant to the close of the war, taking part in all the battles fought by the Army of the Potomac. After his discharge from the service he returned home and continued his previous business as pilot on the river up to his death in 1870; his widow resides at Indiana, Pennsylvania. The subject of this sketch learned the trade of tinner, gas and steam fitter, and also that of jeweler. In 1881 he went into the music business, handling pianos, organs, and sewing machines, at Blairsville, Punxsutawney, Leechburg, Clarion, Titusville, Warren and North Clarendon. In 1885 he came to Butler and carried on the same business until October, 1893, when he embarked in the hotel business in a block which he erected in 1891, on South Main street. He was married February 18, 1890, to Mary Aba, daughter of Martin V. Moore, of Middlesex township, Butler county, and has one son, James G. Blaine. Mr. Williams is a Republican, in politics, and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

JOSEPH CRILEY was born in Alsace, Germany, in 1818, and was but five years of age when his father immigrated to Butler county, and located on a farm in Butler township. He grew to manhood in this county, and received a public school education. In 1849 he married Catherine Lavery, of Penn township. Fourteen children were born to this union, nine of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, as follows: Joseph, deceased; Nicholas; Francis; Mary, wife of Peter Schiler, of Clearfield township; Catherine, deceased; John; Andrew; Jacob, and Jane. Mrs. Criley was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and died in that faith in 1877. Mr. Criley was a Democrat, and filled the offices of school director and other minor positions in his township.

NICHOLAS J. CRILEY was born in Summit township, Butler county, September 1, 1851, and was reared upon his father's farm. After receiving a common school education, he attended Witherspoon Institute, and graduated in 1868. He taught school in Evans City and in Summit township, was subsequently a salesman for Charles Duffy, and then purchased the McIntire photograph gallery, which business he has since followed. He was burned out in the fire of 1878, but soon repaired his losses and continued in business. Mr. Criley was married May 15, 1883, to Miss Annie Aland, of the East End, Pittsburg, and has one child, Annie. Mrs. Criley was a member of the Catholic church, and died November 15, 1884. In 1888 he went into the oil business, and is still engaged in oil producing. He is a member of the Catholic church, and in politics, a Democrat.

GEBHARDT WAGNER was born in Deggingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, August 7, 1830, son of John and Francisca (Spaeth) Wagner, natives of the same place. He was reared in Binsdorf, and received a parish school education. He afterwards learned the painter's and plasterer's trades, which he followed

in his native land until June, 1854, when he immigrated to Butler, Pennsylvania. Here he has continued in the same line of business for more than forty years. Mr. Wagner was married, August 4, 1856, to Josephine Fisher, a daughter of Martin and Helena (Stehle) Fisher, also a native of Germany. Seven children have blessed this marriage, all of whom are living, viz.: John A.; Helena V.; Martin C., a leading photographer of Butler; Joseph C.; Mary E.; Julia, wife of William Lanz, and Bertha E. The family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, Democratic. Mr. Wagner has been fairly successful during the passing years, and is now enjoying the fruits of his industry. He is one of the oldest and most respected members of the German Catholic population of Butler.

John Martin Riesenman was born in Frichtingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, December 3, 1831, son of John M. and Barbara (Burker) Riesenman, natives of Germany. His father was born in 1786, and was a shepherd the greater part of his life. He was twice married. By his first marriage he was the father of five children, viz.: Jacob; Michael; Mary; Christina, and Catharine. His second wife was the mother of two children, as follows: John Martin, and Barbara, deceased wife of George Yerger. The father died in 1866, and the mother in 1874. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native land, and there learned the weaver's trade. In 1854 he immigrated to Pennsylvania and settled in Butler borough. He worked at gardening for a time and then entered the store of John Berg & Company, and later engaged in hauling goods from Pittsburg. He was afterwards employed for Roessing & Stein for two years and a half, and then purchased a team and hauled freight from Pittsburg for seven years. In 1873 he engaged in the wholesale grocery and feed business, as a member of the firm of Roessing & Riesenman, but after six years he sold out and again engaged in the teaming business, which he has followed down to the present. Mr. Riesenman was married in Butler, Butler county, by Rev. Father Killian, January 3, 1855, to Dorothea Kohler, a daughter of Joseph Kohler. Six children have been born to this union, as follows: Joseph C., of Franklin; Belle B., deceased wife of Herman Berg, of Butler; Annie C., wife of William Liebler; John M., of Franklin; Mary M., and Josephine. Mr. Riesenman and family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has served in the borough council.

Daniel H. Sutton was born in Penn township, Butler county, October 27, 1852, eldest son of John R. and Elizabeth Sutton. He remained with his parents until 1868, when he accepted a position with the Citizens Traction Company, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, which position he held until 1877, and then embarked in merchandising at Maharg, where he continued in business until 1890. In that year he located in Butler and engaged in the ice business, which he followed up to the year 1895. On September 30, 1875, Mr. Sutton was married to Lizzie Elder, of Pittsburg. He has been quite active in political affairs, and is a leading member of the Democratic party. He is an adherent of the Presbyterian church, and is a member of Ziegler Lodge, Number 1039, I. O. O. F. Mr. Sutton is one of the public-spirited business men of the community.

Martin Eisler was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, March 12, 1843, and grew to manhood in his native land. He learned the gardener's trade and fol-

lowed that business in Germany until 1869, in which year he immigrated to Butler, Pennsylvania, where he has since made his home. He established the first greenhouse in the borough, and still continues the same business. In September, 1869, he married Emma Knoes, of Wurtemburg, who came with him to Butler. Ten children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Edward W.; Carl M.; Emma; Paul; Bertha; Mary; Albert; Margaret; Ernest, and Walter J. Mr. Eisler was a soldier in the German army for six years, and served in the war between Prussia and Austria. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and is secretary of the church council. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat.

EDWARD W EISLER was born in the borough of Butler June 24, 1870, and has spent his entire life in his native town. He attended the common schools, and learned telegraphy in the Western Union office at Butler, in which he is at present an operator. In 1890 he engaged in the oil business, and is quite a successful producer, his operations being confined to the Glade Mills field. On October 5, 1893, Mr. Eisler married Luella Westerman, of Butler. They are members of the Lutheran church, and he is an adherent of the Democratic party.

JOSEPH HAUCK was born in Bissingen, Hohenzoller, Germany, in 1833, there learned the tailor's trade and when about twenty years of age immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in the borough of Butler, where he continued to follow his trade. In 1854 he married Barbara Nebel, a daughter of Wendolin Nebel, of Summit township, to which union were born eight children, viz.: John A.; Frank; Albert; William A.; Mary; Joseph R.; George, and Charles H. Mr. Hauck was a member of St. Peter's Catholic church, and politically, a Democrat. He died February 5, 1885. His widow resides on the old homestead, which they purchased in 1870.

WILLIAM A. HAUCK was born in the borough of Butler, November 19, 1862, was educated in the public schools, and afterwards clerked in a drug store for three years. He then learned telegraphy, and has been manager of the Western Union office in Butler since 1887, one of the most important repeating offices between New York and Chicago. Mr. Hauck is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of St. Peter's Catholic church.

JOHN C. MANNY was born in the borough of Butler, Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 18, 1837, and was a son of John J. and Frances (Mangle) Manny early settlers of the town. He learned the moulder's trade in Pittsburg, and worked in that city for three years afterwards. In 1866 he returned to Penn township, Butler county, and engaged in the huckstering business, subsequently moved to Butler, and in 1875 went into freighting and draying, which he followed until his death. Mr. Manny was married February 18, 1862, to Mary Laurent, a daughter of Joseph Laurent, of Butler township. Ten children were born to this union, viz.: Joseph F.; Frances B., wife of James Mulholland, of Butler; Rose A., who first married Omer Colinet, and afterwards John Carney; John A.; Mary A.; Sylvester C.; Clara P.; Catherine H., and Lawrence A., the last six of whom died of diphtheria, within six weeks, and Agnes M. Mr. Manny was a life-long member of the Catholic church, to which denomination the family belong, and was serving on the church committee when he died. Politically, he was a Democrat, and filled the offices of burgess, tax collector,

high constable, and street commissioner of Butler. He died March 5, 1884; his widow is still a resident of the borough.

Joseph F. Manny, eldest in the family of John C. and Mary Manny, was born in Penn township, Butler county, February 24, 1863. He received a good common school education, and spent four terms at Witherspoon Institute. He was afterwards employed on the Pittsburgh and Western railroad, and next engaged in the freighting business, which he has continued up to the present. He married Annie E. Whiskaman, of Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, October 19, 1887, which union has been blessed by three children, as follows: Kathleen F., George J., deceased, and Anna M. Mr. Manny is a member of St. Paul's Catholic church; is on the church committee, and is president of Branch No. 56, C. M. B. A. In politics, he is a Democrat, and a stanch adherent of Democratic principles.

Richard Hughes, Sr., was born in New York city, in 1797, learned the barber's trade in early youth, and in 1835 came to Butler, and engaged in the jewelry, clothing, livery and barber business. He was appointed county auctioneer by the Governor and filled that office for several years. On March 16, 1836, he married Maria Burkhart, and they became the parents of five children, viz.: James C., who served in the Fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Richard; Cornelius; Samuel G., who was a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Aaron B., who served in the One Hundred and Third regiment. Mr. Hughes was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and in politics, a Republican. He died on October 28, 1873, and his wife, July 11, 1878. They were among the early business people of this community.

Richard Hughes was born in the borough of Butler, and learned the barber's trade with his father. In September, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia, and was honorably discharged at the end of his term of service. On March 2, 1881, he married Ida Martin, a daughter of John Martin, of Forward township, and has three children, viz.: Angenora; Twila J., and Eugene M. In 1869 he purchased the Dr. DeWolf property on Main street, and erected his present business house and residence in 1872. The family are connected with the Protestant Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

James Crayton Ramsey was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, in 1812, was educated at a subscription school, and learned the hatter's and moulder's trades, which he followed for many years. In 1834 he married Susan Grubbs, a daughter of John Grubbs, of Allegheny county, and settled in Butler in 1838. They were the parents of seven children, as follows: John, deceased; William; Catherine, wife of William J. Mitchell; Mary, deceased; Frances A., wife of James Oliver; Sarah, deceased, and James C. Mr. Ramsey died in 1865. He was a member of the Covenanter church, and in politics, a Democrat. His widow resides with her daughter, Mrs. Oliver.

James C. Ramsey, son of James Crayton and Susan Ramsey, was born in the borough of Butler, February 8, 1854, attended the common schools of the town, and learned the barber's trade. In 1882 he began in business for himself,

and still carries on the same on West Jefferson street. On March 9, 1881, he married Annie Tinstman, a daughter of Isaac Tinstman, of Butler county, and has two children, Bessie L., and Oliver J. Mr. Ramsey is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and politically, an adherent of the Republican party. He is a member of the E. A. U., and the I. O. O. F., also of Company E, Fifteenth regiment, N. G. P. In 1886 he purchased the Samuel D. Purvis property, upon which he erected his present residence.

JOHN LAWALL was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, there grew to manhood, and learned the wagonmaker's trade. He worked at his trade in Germany and France until 1845, in which year he immigrated to Butler, Pennsylvania. Soon after coming he opened a small wagon shop on Cunningham street, and built up through the passing years quite an extensive business. In later years he removed to the corner of Washington and Cunningham streets, and in 1872, began the manufacture of carriages and buggies on quite an extensive scale, which business he continued until his death, in November, 1877. He married Elizabeth Frederick, daughter of Peter Frederick, of Summit township, and a native of Germany. Four children were born to this union: John; Catharine, wife of George Miller; Jacob F., and William, the last of whom died in childhood. Mr. Lawall was a Democrat, and served in the council several terms. He was a member of the German Lutheran church, to which denomination his widow also belongs. After his death the business was carried on by his sons, John and Jacob F., until 1883, when they embarked in the livery business, which they have since followed.

WILLIAM M. KENNEDY, is a son of John D. and Jane (Maxwell) Kennedy, the latter a daughter of Abraham Maxwell, one of the first settlers of Butler township, Butler county. Our subject was born June 1, 1858, in Jefferson township, Butler county, and received a common school education in the schools of Butler. He worked at the livery business until 1880, when he went to Troy, Ohio, and traveled for the fruit tree firm of Wilber McKnight up to 1882, then returned to Butler and embarked in the livery business, first as Flick & Kennedy, then as Starr & Kennedy, and Crawford & Kennedy. In June, 1892, the firm of Bickel & Kennedy was established on West Jefferson street. Mr. Kennedy married Ella, daughter of Edward Hays of Penn township, Butler county, and has had three children: Jean; Belle, and Rachel, the last deceased. In politics, he is a Democrat, but takes no active interest in political matters. He is a member of the K. of P., K. of M., and the E. A. U.

ELI MAY was born in Whitestown, Butler county, June 16, 1858, and is the second son of Henry and Annie May. He received an English and German education, and followed farming until 1888. In that year he engaged in the livery business at Butler, as senior member of the firm of May & Albert, which he continued until November, 1893. He then sold out and bought the interest of Jean Ford, wholesale fish, oyster and poultry dealer, the firm now being May & Divel. Mr. May was married October 30, 1883, to Phoebe C., a daughter of Fred Burry, of Butler, and is the father of three children: Gertrude L., deceased; Harry L., and Eva C. He is a member of the Lutheran church, is connected with the I. O. O. F., and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Robert J. Gregg was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1801, where he followed farming for many years. In 1840 he became weighmaster on the canal at Allegheny, and resided there until 1854, in which year he located in Butler county. He was married in 1823, to Alice Hogan, a daughter of William Hogan, of Washington county, and was the father of four children, viz.: John and Harriet, both deceased; William S., and Robert. The mother died in 1838, and the father, January 31, 1893. They were members of the Protestant Episcopal church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

William S. Gregg was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1831, son of Robert J. and Alice Gregg. He came to Butler county with his parents, and settled at Monroeville, where he kept hotel, and afterwards operated a hack line between Freeport and Butler. In 1886 he removed to Butler, where he continued the hack business in connection with a livery stable. Mr. Gregg was married in 1852, to Catherine Kuhn, of Butler county. Ten children have been born to this union, as follows: John; Ralph; Ellen, wife of John Waters; Harry; William, deceased; Isabel, wife of Charles Breneman; Annie M., wife of John Fullerton; Charles, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Gregg is a stanch Democrat, and is one of the industrious and energetic business men of the borough.

Warren Albert, son of Andrew and grandson of Adam Albert, was born in Centre township, Butler county, September 13, 1859, and was educated in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute. In 1886 he went into the livery business, at Butler, as a member of the firm of McCandless & Albert, afterwards changed to May & Albert, and in 1893 to Albert & Weigle, which firm is still carrying on the business. On April 12, 1886, Mr. Albert married Ada L. Millinger, a daughter of Perry Smith, of Centre township, and has three children, viz.: Floyd W.; Ralph C., and Leora. He is a member of the Church of God, and in politics, a Republican.

John M. Weigle, of the firm of Albert & Weigle, was born in Prospect, Butler county, December 6, 1861, son of Samuel and Barbara Weigle. He attended the common schools of the borough, learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1892 removed to Butler, and the following year became a member of the present firm. In May, 1889, he married Nanny Alexander, a daughter of Robert Alexander, of Muddy Creek township, and has one child, Karl M. Mr. Weigle is a Republican, and a member of the Lutheran church.

Conrad Roessing was born in Herchfeldt, Germany, October 5, 1804, and when fourteen years of age started in life for himself. Coming to the United States some years later, he commenced in business at Cobelskill, New York, with his brother Justus, but they were burned out and lost everything. After working for a company in New York state for a period, they went to Ohio and established a large tannery. Here his brother died, and Conrad sold the business, and in 1841 came to Butler. He erected a tannery on North Washington street, which he operated for forty-five years very successfully. In August, 1882, he established the business now carried on by his son, Barnhardt E., who became his partner on January 1, 1884, under the firm name of C. Roessing & Son. In May, 1886, Mr. Roessing retired from active business, and the following year

went to Pittsburg, where he is now living with his daughter. He married Martha A. Hooker, who bore him a family of four children, as follows: Barnhardt E.; Dora, deceased; Dietrick, who resides in California, and Anna E., wife of H. O. Stahley, of Pittsburg. Mrs. Roessing died on October 18, 1886.

Barnhardt E. Roessing was born in Butler October 23, 1852, eldest child of Conrad and Martha A. Roessing. When sixteen years of age he entered his father's tannery and worked at that business until he was thirty-two years old, when he engaged in his present business with his father on Jefferson street. In 1888 he purchased his present business place, on North Main street, where he manufactures harness and deals in all classes of buggies, carriages, wagons and sleighs. Mr. Roessing was married on December 17, 1885, to Anna J. Gibson, a daughter of Harvey S. Gibson, of Butler, and has two children: Edna A. and Harvey L. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He is connected with the Legion of Honor, of which he has been commander and collector, and is now treasurer.

Jacob Walter was a native of Germany, born in 1815, near Strasburg, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Keck) Walter. He emigrated to the United States in 1835, and located in Butler, Pennsylvania. He was a blacksmith, and worked in Peter Baker's shop, which stood on the site of J. Q. A. Kennedy's residence, but subsequently removed to West Cunningham street, and built a shop on the site of Livington McQuistion's residence. He carried on the principal business in that line for several years, but in 1859 he purchased the mill now owned by his son George, and in partnership with John C. Grohman embarked in the milling business, which he followed until his death. Mr. Walter always took a deep interest in educational affairs, was a member of the school board, and connected with the borough council for twenty-five or thirty years. He was a Democrat in politics, and was quite active in local political circles. He was an elder in the Lutheran church for many years, and organized the first Sunday school connected with the German Lutheran church, which then stood upon the site of the old Opera House. Mr. Walter married Mary, a daughter of Jacob Lawall, to whom were born ten children, four of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Barbara, wife of Jacob Boos; Maggie, wife of G. Wilson Miller; Mary, deceased wife of William Feigle, and George. Mr. Walter died September 11, 1865, and his wife, in the fall of 1892.

George Walter, miller, was born September 11, 1843, in Butler, Pennsylvania, son of Jacob and Mary Walter. He attended the public schools of the borough in youth, and subsequently learned the miller's trade with his father, with whom he was afterwards associated, and at his father's death he succeeded to the business. In 1876 he was elected, on the Democratic ticket, sheriff of Butler county, but was deprived of his office after a bitter legal fight. He has filled the office of councilman for seven terms and that of school director for three terms. He is a prominent member of the Masonic order, and is also connected with A. O. U. W. In 1866 he was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Adam Troutman, of Penn township. She died in 1874, leaving four children: Jacob A., a member of George Walter & Sons; Mary A., wife of E. O. Chambers; Charles E., also a member of the firm, and G. Wilson, deceased. In 1876 Mr.

Walter married Mary Troutman, a sister of his first wife, who is the mother of one daughter, Kitty. Mr. Walter is a member of the Christian church, and is one of the well-known citizens of Butler, where he has spent his entire life.

Peter Schenck, Sr., was a native of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, born in 1805. He learned the harnessmaker's trade in his native land, and subsequently served in the Prussian army. In 1832 he immigrated to the United States and settled at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, where he worked at his trade for a short time and then came to Butler county and purchased a farm in Summit township. In 1850 he bought a farm of 135 acres in Butler township, upon which he located. He was one of the many who went from Butler county to California during the gold excitement, whence he returned to his son's home in Butler stricken with Panama fever, of which he died the day after his arrival. He was married in Germany, in 1828, to Christina Ripper, and had one son Adam. Both he and wife were members of the Lutheran church.

Adam Schenck was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, June 30, 1827, and came to America with his parents when five years of age. He received a common school education, learned the shoemaker's trade and subsequently engaged in farming. He was twice married, his first wife being Catherine, daughter of John Oesterling, of Summit township, whom he married in 1847. They were the parents of ten children: Christine, who married Adam Dambach of Summit township; Leonard; Margaret, deceased; George; Peter; Adam; Philip; John; William A., deceased, and Catherine E., deceased. Mrs. Schenck died in 1866, and in 1870 he married Catherine, daughter of Samuel Kreps, of Beaver county, of which union, three children were born: Annie M., wife of George Oesterling; Elizabeth, deceased, and David. Mr. Schenck went into the boot and shoe business in Butler, as a member of the firm of Bickel & Schenck, which he continued until 1856, and then moved to the homestead farm, where he resided until his death, in 1881. His widow lives in Centre township. Mr. Schenck was a member of the Lutheran church, and an elder in that body for over thirty years. In politics, he was originally a Whig and afterwards a Democrat, and filled the offices of school director and supervisor. He was also a member of the I. O. O. F., and was at one time connected with the State Militia.

Peter Schenck, son of Adam and Catherine (Oesterling) Schenck, was born in the borough of Butler, April 27, 1854, and received a common school education. He afterwards entered a draughting school in Allegheny City, where he also learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked five years and then returned to Butler. He was married May 7, 1878, to Julia A., daughter of Philip Gelbach, of Glade Run, to whom have been born three children: Ida L.; Erna S., deceased, and Florence K. Mr. Schenck is an architect, and a contractor and builder, and in connection with the firm of Schenck Brothers, built two churches at Harrisville, and one at Grove City; also the Diamond block, the Huselton and Anderson blocks, the Troutman and Armory buildings, in Butler, and St. Fidelis' College at Herman station. He was one of the incorporators of the Citizens Natural Gas Company, and is now president of the same. Politically, he is a Republican, and was a member of the town council and treasurer of the borough during the three years in which the paving and sewerage improve-

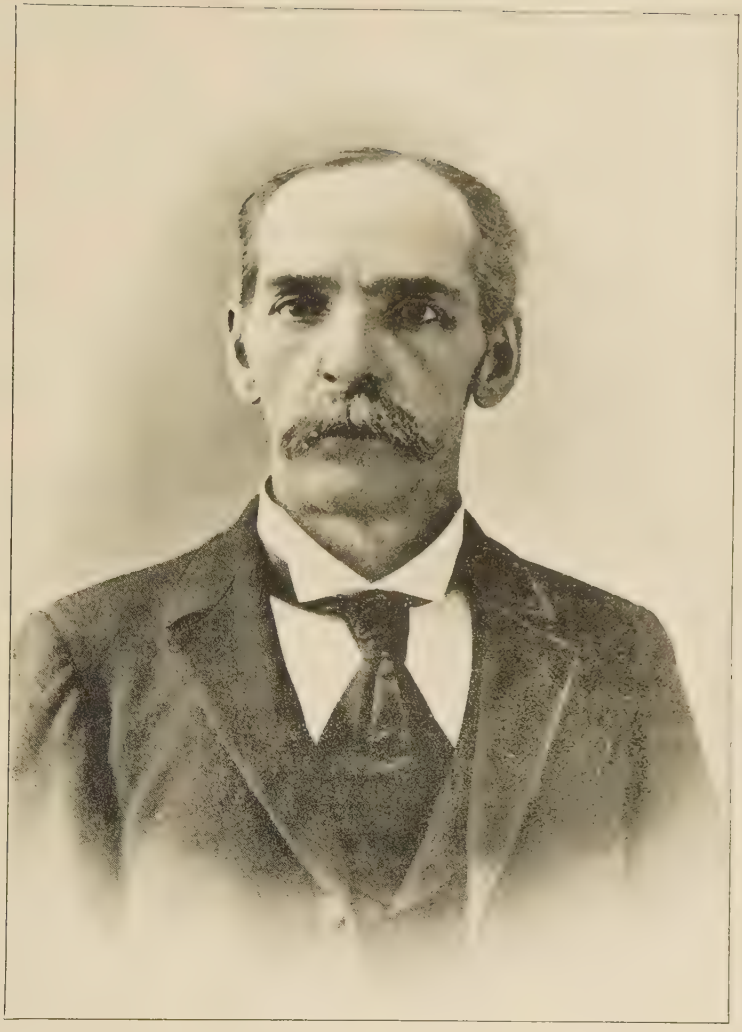
ments were carried out, and took a very active part in these commendable improvements, which have made Butler one of the healthiest towns of its size in the State. Mr. Schenck and family are connected with the Presbyterian church.

GEORGE SCHENCK, son of Adam and Catherine Schenck, was born in the borough of Butler May 6, 1852, here grew to manhood, and learned the carpenter's trade with H. Bauer & Co., of Butler. He followed his trade for two years and then went into business for himself as a contractor and builder. He afterwards became a member of the firm of H. Bauer & Company, at Herr's Island, Allegheny county, and two years later returned to Butler and became senior member of the firm of Schenck Brothers. They dissolved in 1891, since which time Mr. Schenck has been carrying on business alone. He was married on June 1, 1876, to Mary L. Forcht, a daughter of John and Margaret Forcht, of Carbon Centre, to which union have been born six children, viz.: Charles G., deceased; Alfred A.; George O.; Margaret L.; Walter L., and Etta E. The family are connected with the Lutheran church, and he is a member of the church council. Mr. Schenck embarked in the oil business in 1890, and followed producing for one year. He is one of the well-known contractors and builders of the county, and among the buildings erected by him are the following: Springdale school, St. Peter's Catholic school, St. Paul's Catholic school and convent, the postoffice, Diamond, Huselton and Troutman blocks, the Stein, Aldinger, Baldauf, and Campbell & Templeton store buildings; also the Armory building, and the Scientific Hall at New Wilmington.

J. GEORGE STAMM, manufacturer of brick, was born at Schaffhausen, Switzerland, November 10, 1845, son of J. George and Barbara (Stamm) Stamm. He received a public school education in his native town, and emigrated to the United States in 1866. He learned the puddler's trade at Sharpsburg, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, which he followed five years, and later acquired the brickmaker's trade, at which he worked until 1871. In that year he settled in the borough of Butler, where he was employed in the brickyard of Jesse Kinzer and others until 1880, when he established a plant on Penn street. This he operated until 1882, and then opened his present yard in the western limits of the borough. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in February, 1891, was elected a member of the borough council, was re-elected in February, 1894, and is now president of that body. Mr. Stamm married Lucinda, a daughter of James Harvey, of Prospect, Butler county, and is the father of six children, as follows: Clara J.; Gertrude B.; Lucy; J. George; Frank, and Nellie. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church. He is a member of Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M., also of Butler Chapter, Number 273, and Pittsburg Commandery and Consistory; also Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., Butler Lodge, A. O. U. W., and Butler Lodge, Number 170, B. P. O. E.

GEORGE SCHAFFNER was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, December 17, 1841, and is a son of Jacob and Anna Maria (Martin) Schaffner, natives of Bavaria, Germany. He received a common school education, and soon after the breaking out of the Rebellion he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered into service at Camp Orr, Kittanning, September 17, 1861. From there the regiment

moved by railroad to Pittsburg, where it was presented with a flag by Governor Curtin, on the West Common, in Allegheny. It was assigned to General Negley's brigade, was transported down the Ohio river to Louisville, Kentucky, and then marched to Bacon creek, and later to Greene river. The brigade was a part of General Sherman's command, who was there relieved by General Buell. The latter advanced on Nashville, and the Seventy-eighth guarded Buell's line of communication while he went to re-enforce Grant at Shiloh, and in the fall of 1862 fell back to Nashville, joined Negley's division and assisted in holding that city until the return of Rosecrans' army from Kentucky, in December, 1862. The army was then re-organized and the Seventy-eighth was placed in the Eighth division, General Negley commanding. On December 26, 1862, the army moved on the Stone River campaign, and in the battle of Stone River, the Seventy-eighth lost 196 in killed and wounded. The regiment captured the colors of the Twenty-sixth Tennessee, also a battery of four pieces that had been captured by Jackson from the English at the battle of New Orleans, in 1815, and the flag of the Seventy-eighth was the first to float over the court house at Murfreesboro. While the regiment lay in that city, Mr. Schaffner was detailed to guard the residence of Colonel Reedy, father-in-law of Gen. John Morgan, and captured the latter's sword, which is still in his possession. The regiment next went on the Tullahoma campaign, marched to the Tennessee river which it crossed on a pontoon bridge, thence across Lookout, Sand, and Raccoon mountains, flanking Chattanooga, the command hauling the artillery over the mountains when the horses gave out. The Seventy-eighth were the first troops to set foot on the soil of Georgia, September 8, 1863. Mr. Schaffner was one of the one hundred men who at Dug Gap, Georgia, held the rebel army in check for four hours. (See Bates' History.) They next participated at Chickamauga, September 19, and 20, 1863, then fell back on Chattanooga and assisted in holding that town until the arrival of re-enforcements, suffering the starvation of that siege, after which they started on the Atlanta campaign. Mr. Schaffner participated in all the battles of the Fourteenth Army Corps, and was shot through the right shoulder and left hand at Pickett's Mills, Georgia, May 27, 1864. He was sent to Kingston, Georgia, thence to Nashville, Tennessee, and afterwards to Pittsburg Hospital, where he was honorably discharged, October 12, 1864, his term of service having expired. He afterwards took a course at Duff's Commercial College, and kept books for Schnelbach & Schott, of Pittsburg, in 1866, and the same year came to Butler. He sunk the first coal shaft in Butler county, located south of Butler, in Butler township, which is still operated by his brother Samuel, and which proved a successful venture. Since that time he has followed general contracting. Mr. Schaffner was married November 5, 1867, to Jane Tracy, a daughter of James and Mary Tracy, of Butler township. Ten children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Mary Cresentia, wife of John McCune, Jr.; James; Anthony J.; Clarence A.; William J.; Estelle G.; George; Alice; Charles, and Leroy, the last three of whom are dead. In 1868 Mr. Schaffner was appointed United States gauger for the Twenty-third internal revenue district, and served nine years. In 1879 he became employed by the government on Davis Island dam, upon which he worked four years, being superintendent of the works



J. B. Sherman

the last two years. He is a Republican, in politics, has served in the council for six years, and is a prominent member of Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L., of which he was elected colonel in 1893. In October of the same year he was appointed, at Cincinnati, Ohio, adjutant general of the U. V. L., for the United States. In June, 1894, he was appointed by Governor Pattison a member of the commission from Pennsylvania to locate the positions occupied by Pennsylvania troops at the battles of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, Mission Ridge, and Wauhatchie Valley. Mr. Schaffner and family are members of St. Paul's Catholic church, and he is one of the well known citizens of his native county.

Frederick M. Renno, manufacturer and dealer in monuments and mantels, was born March 27, 1842, in Butler township, Butler county, son of John and Margaret Renno, the latter a daughter of Michael Eminger, a soldier in the War of 1812. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools, and afterwards learned the moulder's trade, which he followed for fifteen years. In 1875 he engaged in the manufacture of monuments, etc., under the firm name of Renno Brothers, which continued for fourteen years. He then purchased his brother's interest, and has since carried on the business alone. In 1862, he enlisted in Capt. C. E. Anderson's company, but being under age they would not accept him. He nevertheless remained with the company, and participated in all of the engagements in which his regiment served until the death of Adjutant Reed, when he was detailed to bring that officer's horse to his family in Butler. Mr. Renno married Sarah, daughter of Peter Keil, and has four children: Cora, wife of Joseph McCandless; Carrie; Loretta C., and Albert. Politically, he is a Republican, but takes no active part in public affairs.

George J. Renno, youngest son of John and Margaret Renno, was born in Butler township, Butler county, June 19, 1852, and grew to maturity in this county. He was educated in the public schools, and subsequently went one term to Witherspoon Institute. He afterwards learned the marble cutter's trade, and in 1875 he became a member of the firm of Renno Brothers, which continued until December, 1888. At that time he sold his interest to his brother, and in August, 1889, went into business for himself, at 300 North Main street. On May 27, 1874, he married Louisa Rieger, a daughter of George Rieger, of Winfield township, and has seven children, viz.: Ida M.; George N.; Margaret L.; Edward J.; Frederick W.; Emma G., and Alma A. The family are connected with the English Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Renno is a stanch Democrat.

J. W. McKee, president of the Butler Manufacturing Company, was born November 18, 1845, in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, son of John and Mary A. (Crawford) KcKee. He received a common school education and afterwards learned the molder's trade, which he followed for five years. He then engaged in carpenter work, afterwards removed to the oil fields of Venango and McKean counties, where he manufactured wooden wheels for oil wells until 1874, and then located at Freeport. He operated a planing mill at the last mentioned place for three years, when he went to Petrolia and entered the employ of his brother. In 1878 he returned to Bradford, McKean county, and resumed the manufacture of wooden wheels. In 1888 he came to Butler and erected the plant now known

as the Butler Manufacturing Company, purchased stock in the company, and took charge of the foundry. Since that time he has filled different positions in the works and is now general manager of the company. Mr. McKee married Miss Nellie March of New Castle, Pennsylvania, and has one son, Vance F.

Benjamin Masseth was born March 16, 1840, in Rochester, New York, son of Exavia and Mary A. Masseth, natives of Germany, who settled in Rochester in 1835. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, and at the age of fifteen entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company, as bell boy, and later went to Ohio as an employee of the Toledo, Wabash & Western Railroad Company, as fireman. He subsequently became an engineer on that road, which position he occupied until 1862, when he erected the Pavilion Hotel, at Plumer, Venango county, Pennsylvania, which he operated for a few months. He then went to Pithole, Venango county, and purchased the United States Hotel, which he carried on for one year. In the spring of 1866 he embarked in his present business at Pithole, where he remained until 1869, and then removed his works to Shamburg, and afterwards to Parker, Modoc, Karns City, and Butler, successively. Mr. Masseth has since built up a profitable business, and the firm of Masseth & Black is recognized as one of the representative manufacturing institutions of the borough.

William Kesselman, manufacturer, was born in Saxony, Prussia, in 1832, son of Philip and Christina (Landwhir) Kesselman. He received his education in the public schools of his native land and there learned the machinist's trade. In 1856 he came to the United States and located in New Castle, Pennsylvania, where he was employed at his trade for seven years. He then became a partner in the New Castle Manufacturing Company, and subsequently established a machine shop at Parker, Pennsylvania, which he removed later to St. Joe. In 1881 he established his present business in Butler, where he has since built up a prosperous trade. In 1863 he married Miss Maggie Moser, of New Castle, Pennsylvania, and their children are as follows: Edward; William; Lewis; Mintie, and Floyd. Mr. Kesselman is a Democrat, in politics, and in church affiliation, is connected with the English Lutheran congregation of Butler, in which body he fills the position of elder.

Joseph B. Sherman, son of Henry and Charlotte Sherman, was born at Crusoe Island, Cayuga county, New York, May 12, 1846, learned the machinist's trade in Auburn, New York, and went to Rochester in 1868, where he worked for the New York Central Railway Company until 1875. He then found employment as an engineer of a boat on Lake Ontario for one year. In 1876 he came to Butler county and located at Karns City, where he established a machine shop, and carried on business at that point down to 1890, when he removed to Butler and became a member of the firm of Sherman & Masseth. 1892 he sold his interest in that establishment and purchased a shop at Callery Junction, which he disposed of in 1893. He established his present machine shops at Butler, in the old Union Woolen Mill building, known as the Star Iron Works, in 1894. Mr. Sherman was married December 29, 1873, to Isabel Williamson, a daughter of Thomas Williamson, of Rochester, New York. Six children have been born to this union, viz.: Olive M.; Iva B.; Clifford W., deceased; Lulu M.; Florence

A., and Josephine B. Mr. Sherman is a Republican, was burgess of Karns City for one term, and a school director for ten years. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is connected with the K. of P., and the A. O. U. W. During a residence of nearly twenty years in Butler county, Mr. Sherman has been closely identified with its manufacturing interests in the oil fields, and is a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

James W. Hughes, of the firm af Hughes Brothers, proprietors of the Butler Boiler Works, was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, April 23, 1864, son of Thomas and Bridget (Henry) Hughes, natives of Ireland. Our subject was reared in Franklin, Pennsylvania, and at the age of thirteen, commenced to learn the trade of boiler maker at the Franklin Boiler Works, and followed that business until 1891, in Buffalo, New York. He then located in Butler, and, in partnership with his brother John C., purchased the Butler Boiler Works, which they have since carried on successfully, under the firm name of Hughes Brothers. Mr. Hughes was married March 30, 1888, to Blanche Stoneburner, of Indiana, and they have one child, Walter. He is connected with the Butler Lodge, K. of P., and in religious faith, is a member of St. Paul's Catholic church.

John C. Hughes, of the firm of Hughes Brothers, was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, June 14, 1866, son of Thomas and Bridget Hughes. He was reared in Franklin, Pennsylvania, and learned the boiler maker's trade at the Franklin Boiler Works. He has been connected with his brother James W., for nine years in his various business enterprises. He married Allie Hogue, September 25, 1892. He is a member of Butler Lodge, K. of P., and both he and wife are members of St. Paul's Catholic church.

Thomas J. Shufflin was born in Arcade, Wyoming county, New York, December 7, 1855, son of John and Jane (Malone) Shufflin, and grandson of James and Nancy Shufflin. His father was born in New York city, in August, 1832, married Jane Malone, October 20, 1850, and settled at Arcade, Wyoming county, New York, where he still resides. His family consists of the following children: Anna, wife of P. H. Silliman; Thomas J.; Christopher E.; Francis S.; John J.; Mary, wife of John Reilley; Michael B., and Matthias V. The family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, Democratic. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and engaged in tank building and contracting. In 1878 he went into the oil business in the Bradford field, came to Butler county in 1886, locating at Millerstown, and the following year removed to Butler, where he has since been engaged in business, devoting his attention to the manufacture of tanks for the storage of petroleum, in which he has been quite successful. On February 5, 1889, Mr. Shufflin married Mary Green, a daughter of Terence Green, of Arcade, New York. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the borough council. He is a member of the K. of P., of Millerstown, is a charter member and treasurer of the B. P. O. E., of Butler, and is president of the Butler Branch of the Metropolitan Loan and Savings Association. Mr. Shufflin and wife are adherents of St. Paul's Catholic church, and he is one of the energetic and enterprising business men of the borough.

R. B. Taylor, contractor and oil producer, was born August 13, 1832, in Halifax, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, son of James and Anna (Bryan) Taylor. The Taylor family were among the early settlers of Dauphin county. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm until the age of sixteen, when he went to Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, where he learned the carpenter's trade, with Henry Dippie, serving four years. He then located at Lock Haven, and engaged in contracting, which business he carried on for four years, and then removed to Clearfield, where he continued the same business for eighteen years. From Clearfield he went to Reynoldsville, Jefferson county, in 1878, and carried on business at that point until his removal to Butler in 1884. Mr. Taylor has erected many of the public buildings in Pennsylvania and other states. Among those built by him are the Pennsylvania railroad depot at Cape May, New Jersey, the opera house and Methodist Episcopal church at Clearfield, the court house in Butler, the high schools at Mansfield and Kittanning, and the Schuylkill county court house, at Pottsville. He has operated extensively in the oil fields of Thorn creek, the Eastern Belt, Saxonburg, and the Hundred Foot field, of Butler county; also in Clarion county, Allegheny county, and in Indiana. Mr. Taylor was one of the organizers of the Butler County National Bank, and was the first president of that institution. He is president of the Bradford Glass Company, and is a man of much public enterprise. He married Annie, daughter of Joseph Ruffhead, of Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania, to whom have been born the following children: Ida, wife of C. C. Benscoter; Martha A., wife of G. S. Swope of Bradford; Mary B., wife of E. C. Hughes of Allegheny, and William J. Mr. Taylor is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and politically, he is a Republican.

Edward E. Weigand was born in Hesse Cassel, Germany, October 6, 1849, and is a son of Frederick Weigand of the same place. His father was a carriage maker and farmer, and married Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Grubing, of Hesse Cassel, who bore him two children: Elizabeth, and Edward E. The latter learned the cabinet maker's trade in Germany, came to the United States in 1868, and settled at Tionesta, Pennsylvania, where he remained three years. Returning to Germany, he spent eight months in his native land, and again came to Pennsylvania and located at Titusville, where he was a rig builder and carpenter. He remained at Titusville until July, 1874, when he located at Butler, and worked at his trade until 1881. He then went into the contracting business, as a member of the firm of McJunkin & Weigand, which was dissolved in 1888. Since that time he has continued business alone. Mr. Weigand was married January 19, 1875, to Margaret, daughter of William Kalb of Butler township, and has two children: Adam F., and Frank L. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Lutheran church.

Lewis C. Wick was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, December 14, 1852, son of Henry E. and Elizabeth Wick, both natives of this county. With the exception of four years spent in Bourbon, Indiana, and Chicago, he has always been a resident of Butler county. He commenced active business when about sixteen years of age, consisting of a general store, wholesale flour and feed, and lumber business, the latter of which he is now engaged in at Butler and at

Hilliard Station. The Butler yard was started in February, 1884, by L. C. and W. S. Wick, who during the year 1885 bought out the firms of Leech Brothers, McGee & Dunlap, and W. C. Heiner. W. S. Wick sold his interest to C. R. Hammond in March, 1887, and L. C. Wick bought out Mr. Hammond in May, 1888, and has since been sole proprietor of the business. Mr. Wick was married February 10, 1874, to Mary Frances Curran, a daughter of Samuel and Sarah Curran, of Centreville, Butler county, who died December 10, 1874. He was again married October 16, 1878, to Florence P. Curran, a daughter of Rev. Richard A. and Elizabeth Curran, of Decatur, Indiana. To this union have been born four children, viz.: Richard H.; Helen E., and Louisa O., both deceased, and Olive Bartine. He is a member of the Reformed church of Springdale, and an ardent Prohibitionist, casting his first vote for that party in 1882.

John Goetz was born in Bavaria, Germany, April 14, 1828, son of Nicholas and Mary A. (Persow) Goetz. He grew to manhood in his native land, and engaged in the butcher and the hotel business, which he followed until 1854. In that year he immigrated to the United States and settled at Freeport, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, erected the gas works at that point, and carried them on in connection with the Butler Gas Works until 1875. He then came to Butler, where he was superintendent of the Butler works until 1883, in which year he built his planing mill on Spring avenue. His mill is a two-story building, fifty by fifty, with an extension fourteen by thirty feet, equipped with the newest machinery, and operated by an eighteen horse-power engine. Mr. Goetz is also engaged in contracting and building, in which business he has been quite successful. He was married in Germany to Margaret Heid, and has four children: Annie, wife of Bart Nebbel; Leonard; Mollie, and Winnie. Mr. Goetz and family are members of St. Peter's Catholic church, and in politics, he is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Valentine Feigel was born in Rubenheim, Germany, August 7, 1805, there grew to maturity, and served in the French army over fourteen years, under Charles X., and Louis Phillippe. He learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1839 immigrated to St. Louis, Missouri, and the following year took up his residence in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he worked at his trade for many years. In 1843 he married Christina Obitz, of Hannahstown, Butler county, to which union were born eleven children, viz.: Valentine, and Philip, both deceased; William; Margaret, and Mary, the last two deceased; Catherine, wife of Christopher Troutman; Ferdinand; Sophia, wife of George Ketterer, of Butler; Carolina, wife of C. D. Aldinger, of Butler; Louisa, and Annie. Mr. Feigel has occupied his present residence since 1854. He has served as burgess of Butler, and is an adherent of the Democratic party. The family are connected with the Lutheran church.

Ferdinand Feigel was born in the borough of Butler, October 21, 1853, son of Valentine and Christina Feigel. He received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade with his father, which business he has followed the greater portion of his life. In 1893 he engaged in the manufacture of picture frames, under the title of the I. X. L. Picture Frame Company, which business he carries on at 309 South Main street. On May 25, 1882, Mr. Feigel married

Margaret Rader, a daughter of Peter Rader, of Petersville, and has two children, Ernest and Ollie. The family are members of the English Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Feigel is a Republican. He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F.

John Kopp was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, December 6, 1835, son of John and Christina (Fitch) Kopp, natives of the same place. His father was born October 11, 1811, served several years in the German army, and in 1858 immigrated to the United States and settled in the borough of Butler, where he continued to carry on the trade of marble and stone cutting. In 1874 he returned to Germany, where he died, in 1890. His wife died in 1883. They were the parents of two children: John, and Christina, who married Jacob Zeller. The subject of this sketch came to the United States in 1854, and completed his trade at Cincinnati, with John Slauterbeck, remaining in that city a year and a half. He then located in Butler, where he has ever since carried on the marble business. On April 28, 1858, he married Christina Weckbecker, a daughter of Henry and Anna Weckbecker, of Butler. The following children have been born to this union: Carolina, deceased; William H., deceased; Annie K., deceased; Elizabeth, deceased wife of William Wingard, of Clarion county; Emma, wife of Thomas Finucan, of Pittsburg; Helen D., deceased; Edward C.; Laura M.; Bertha A., and Maggie C. Mr. Kopp and family are connected with the Lutheran church, and politically, he is a Republican. He is a member of Lodge, Number 22, P. H. C.

Charles H. Kennedy, oldest son of William C. and Elizabeth (Christy) Kennedy, was born near Harlansburg, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, and received a common school education. When twenty years of age he engaged in teaming, and subsequently learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed some four years. He then went to work in a bottling works at New Brighton, Beaver county, and subsequently worked at the same business in Sharon. In September, 1890, he came to Butler, purchased the bottling works of Mechling & Smith which he has since carried on successfully. These works were established in 1886 by T. E. Gamble, at their present location, 158 Race street, and is the only plant of the kind in Butler. They have a capacity of 150 cases a day, or 3,600 bottles. Mr. Kennedy manufactures all kinds of soft drinks, and charges soda fountains for his patrons in Butler, also supplies many of the small neighboring towns. He was married May 2, 1888, to Hattie E., daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Boyer of Sharon, Pennsylvania. They are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Kennedy is connected with the K. O. T. M., and in politics, is a Democrat.

John G. Wisener was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in August, 1812, was reared in his native land, and learned the butcher's trade. He afterwards immigrated to Pennsylvania, and opened a meat market in Butler, where he resided until his death, May 18, 1849. In 1835 he married Margaret Nicklas, a daughter of Peter Nicklas, of Summit township, who became the mother of seven children, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Matthew Seegar; Philip; Mark; John G.; Lewis; Annie E., wife of Matthew Speer, and Susannah, wife of

Wesley Elliott. Mrs. Wisener died on June 6, 1880. They were members of the Lutheran church.

PHILIP WISENER was born in the borough of Butler, January 14, 1838, eldest son of John G. and Margaret Wisener. He received a common school education, and learned the blacksmith's trade, and carries on that business at the present time. On March 10, 1861, he married Mary Knause, a daughter of Christian Knause, of Summit township, and has six children, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Lawall; Julia, wife of Louis B. Stein; Etta, wife of Elmer Kelly; George; Charles, and Mary. Mr. Wisener is a member of the Lutheran church; is a stanch Democrat, and has served on the school board and in the borough council. He has always lived on Jefferson street, and erected his present home in 1876. He takes quite an active part in public affairs and gives an earnest support to every improvement.

JOHN LEFEVRE was born on the homestead in Jefferson township, Butler county, August 27, 1847, was reared in his native township, and learned the blacksmith's trade with George C. Roessing, of Butler, commencing his apprenticeship in September, 1866. In March, 1880, he established his present business, on West Jefferson street, where he has since carried on a carriage repair shop. Mr. Lefevre was married January 3, 1870, to Eximnia Shaffer, of Armstrong county. They are the parents of four children, viz.: Ella A., deceased; James W., born February 10, 1877, who works with his father in the shop; Alice G., and Charles M. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which Mr. Lefevre has served as steward for ten years. In politics, he is a Republican, and is now serving in the borough council. He is a charter member of Good Will Hose Company, of which he is a trustee, and was a delegate to the Fireman's State Convention, at Norristown, September 18, 1894.

JOSEPH PARKIN was born in Cornwall, England, August 23, 1832, son of John and Margaret Parkin, natives of the same place. His father was born in 1786, and married Margaret Pasco in 1813. They were the parents of seven children, viz.: Philip, who died in Illinois; John, and Lavina, both deceased; William; Philipi, who married James Holman; Joseph, and Elizabeth, deceased wife of Hannibal Rowe. Mr. Parkin died in 1864. The subject of this sketch immigrated to Illinois in 1859, and afterwards resided at Superior City, Michigan. In 1861 he visited his native land, whence he returned to California, and worked in the gold and silver mines until 1865. In that year he went to New Jersey, returned to Illinois in 1876, and in February, 1877, located at Karns City, Butler county, where he engaged in farming and butchering. In 1886 he came to Butler, and established a meat market, which is now being carried on by his sons. He has also been engaged in the bakery and confectionery business. Mr. Parkin married Laura M. Webb, February 11, 1862, and has seven children, viz.: Joseph; Edgar; Reginald; Herbert; Lucy; Thomas, and Richard. Politically, he is a stanch Republican.

JOSEPH W. PARKIN, son of Joseph and Laura M. Parkin, was born in Cornwall, England, October 12, 1864, came to the United States with his father in 1867, and remained with his parents until he was twenty years of age. He then located in Butler, where he has since been engaged in carrying on a meat market.

On December 12, 1888, he married Jennie Wilson, a daughter of William J. Wilson, of Butler, and has had two children, Jennie, deceased, and Joseph. In politics, he is a Republican, and is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

William H. Miller, one of the early business men of Butler, was born near Berlin, Germany, there grew to manhood and learned the cabinet maker's trade. About 1834 he immigrated to Pennsylvania and located at Butler, where he engaged in the cabinet making and furniture business, on North Main street. He carried on this business for more than forty years, retiring in 1875. Mr. Miller died in September, 1878. He was married in this borough to Charlotte Weisenstein, who survives him, and resides in Butler at the ripe age of eighty-one years. They reared three children, viz.: William F.; Henry A., and Mary L. Mr. Miller and wife were among the original members of the German Lutheran church, and in politics, he was an ardent Republican.

William F. Miller, eldest son of William H. and Charlotte Miller, was born in Butler, January 1, 1839, learned the cabinet maker's trade with his father, and was afterwards a partner in the business, under the firm name of W. H. Miller & Son, which existed until his father retired from business. In 1870 he established his present factory, and has since carried on mantel, stair and portico building, scroll-sawing, turning and fancy wood-work, in connection with a planing mill business. Mr. Miller married Caroline Reiber, a daughter of George Reiber, and has five children, viz.: Loretta C.; Bertha; Cora; William, and Analine. The family are members of the English Lutheran church, and in politics, adherents of the Republican party.

Rev. Peter C. Prugh, D. D., superintendent of St. Paul's Orphan Home, was born September 13, 1822, in Montgomery county, Ohio, and is a son of John and Catherine (Haynes) Prugh. His father was a native of Carroll county, Maryland, born near the town of Westminster in 1795, and his mother in the same county, in 1791. They were the parents of ten children, our subject being the fourth son. In 1818 the family removed to Ohio, and settled in Van Buren township, Montgomery county, where the father died in 1879, and his wife three years previous. Mr. Prugh was reared on the homestead farm, and after receiving a common school education, entered the Dayton Academy. In 1845 he entered Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in the year 1849. He then entered the Theological Seminary of the Reformed church at the same place, where he completed his studies and was called to the pastorate of the Reformed church at Xenia, Ohio, in 1851, remaining there twenty-five years. During the war Mr. Prugh was connected with the Ohio Relief Society, and did duty at Washington, Port Royal, the Wilderness and White House Landing, caring for the wounded soldiers, and was also connected with the Ohio Militia at the time of Gen. Kirby Smith's attempted raid upon Cincinnati. During his residence in Xenia he was mainly instrumental in founding the Soldier's Orphan School located at that place, being chairman of the committee to raise funds for the purpose. By his own personal efforts he secured in Greene county alone $25,000. After the completion of the Home, he was appointed its chaplain and filled that position two years. In 1873 he accepted a call from the Church of the Cross, Cincinnati, Ohio, where

he remained three years. He then located in Germantown, Ohio, and took charge of the Reformed church of that place, and remained there until 1882, in which year he accepted his present position as superintendent of St. Paul's Orphan Home. Since his connection with this school many improvements have been made, one change being the enlargement of its capacity of from fifty to 175 pupils. At one time he had under his charge 160 children of deceased soldiers, and at this period the State inspector reported his school as being one of the best in the State. In politics, Mr. Prugh was in early life a Whig, but joined the Republican party on its formation, and has since supported that organization. In his youth he joined the Washingtonian temperance movement and has always been a strong advocate of temperance. He was married April 2, 1852, to Charlotte, a daughter of Jacob Hassler of Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, a musician in the War of 1812. They are the parents of eleven children, seven of whom lived to manhood and womanhood: Edwin N.; John H., pastor of Grace Reformed church of Pittsburg; Daniel K.; William S.; Etta K., deceased, who had charge of the school at the Home five years; Mary A., and Frances Grace. Mr. Prugh is recognized as a man of superior ability, and has won the respect and confidence of the citizens of Butler.

Rev. John S. McKee, pastor of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1850. His grandfather, David McKee, was born in County Down, Ireland, about 1797, was a carpenter by trade, and came of Presbyterian stock. He married a Miss Donnan, and died in 1869, aged seventy-two years. His wife survived him until 1872, dying at the ripe old age of eighty-two years. They were the parents of six children: William S.; Mrs. Jane Wilson; Mrs. Ann Stewart McKee; Mary; David, and Alexander D. William S., the eldest of the family, and father of our subject, was born in County Down, Ireland, in 1824, learned the carpenter's trade in his native land, and came to America in 1844. He settled in Pittsburg, where he was engaged in contracting and building for a great many years, but in 1886 he removed to Denver, Colorado, where he continued the same business. He died June 18, 1894. He was twice married; first to Elizabeth Shields of Pittsburg, in 1849, to whom were born five children, only two of whom grew to maturity: John S., and William G. The mother died in 1859, and in 1862 he married Miss Jane Cox, to whom were born six children: Elizabeth, deceased; Thomas C., an architect; David, deceased; Heberton N.; Harry C., and Alexander A. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which denomination Mr. McKee filled the office of ruling elder.

The subject of this sketch received his primary education in the common schools, afterwards attended East Liberty Academy, and the Western University, and graduated from the latter institution in 1869. He then entered the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary, in Allegheny City, where he was graduated in 1873, and subsequently spent one year in the Free Church College, Edinburgh, Scotland. Mr. McKee was licensed to preach the gospel June 24, 1873, by the Monongahela Presbytery, and was ordained and installed pastor of East Brady Congregation October 19, 1875. He remained with that charge until 1880, when he received a call from the United Presbyterian church of Mercer,

Pennsylvania, which he accepted, and was pastor of that church until October 1, 1884. On that date he received and accepted a call from the United Presbyterian church of Butler, and for the past ten years has ministered to that congregation. Under his pastorate the church has prospered both materially and spiritually, the beautiful new church building recently erected being evidence of the prosperity of this congregation. Mr. McKee is an ardent Prohibitionist in politics, and has always taken an active and prominent part in fighting intemperance and in trying to obtain anti-liquor legislation. Mr. McKee married Sophia M., a daughter of Robert and Mary S. Templeton, of East Brady, Pennsylvania, in June, 1878, and has one child, Jeannie E. He is one of the best known and most popular ministers in Butler county.

Rev. William E. Oller, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Butler, was born upon his father's farm in Washington county, Pennsylvania, January 13, 1852. He is the fourth in a family of eight children born to Daniel and Catherine (Myers) Oller, of that county. His father was a native of Kammerer, Washington county, and his mother a daughter of Jacob and Mary Myers, of Somerset township, in the same county. They were married in 1843, and were loving helpmates for nearly half a century, when the link was broken by the death of the husband and father, September 6, 1891. William E. received his primary education in the public schools of his native county, afterwards entered Washington and Jefferson College, from which he graduated in 1875; then entered Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny City, and was graduated from that institution in 1878. He was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Washington, at Burgettstown, in April, 1877. He accepted a call from the Presbyterian church of Tarentum, Allegheny county, and was ordained and installed pastor of that church, September 10, 1878. Mr. Oller remained in charge at Tarentum for nearly four years, and June 19, 1882, accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Butler, for which he has preached during the past thirteen years. His ministry has been marked by a rigid devotion to his duties, and an unswerving christian rectitude in the prosecution of his labors. Under his pastorate the church has prospered, and his earnest, untiring efforts have borne good fruit in the steady, substantial growth of the congregation, and the development of a generous christian sentiment among its members. Mr. Oller was married October 10, 1878, to Miss Ella D. Creigh, a daughter of Dr. Alfred Creigh, of Washington, Pennsylvania. Four children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Nellie C.; Julian S.; Katrina L., and Florence B.

Prof. Ebenezer Mackey, superintendent of the public schools of Butler, was born on Friday, August 14, 1857, in the old homestead near Walker avenue, Butler, Pennsylvania. His mother, Mrs. Sarah Mackey, made it the aim of her life to educate him, and taught him to read almost as soon as he could talk. Pilgrim's Progress, the Bible and Plutarch's Lives were his favorite reading and inexhaustible mines of material for the greater part of thought and play in an otherwise lonely childhood. He attended the district school regularly, with summer terms at Witherspoon Institute, German Lutheran school and elsewhere. Judge Greer and Dr. Brugh are among the names held in dear remembrance as teachers that lifted him up to higher things. After three or four years' study of

the higher branches at the Institute, he entered the senior preparatory class of Mercersburg College. The five years under the direct personal influence of such teachers as Hon. E. E. Higbee, D. D., LL. D., Rev. J. B. Kieffer, Ph. D., and others of like ability and self-sacrificing devotion, were doubtless the formative period of his life and the seed-time of his best fruition. He joined the College Chapel Reformed church in 1875. In 1878, the year of his graduation, he was appointed principal of St. Paul's Orphan Home school, and taught there three annual terms. In the effort to choose and make preparation for a profession, he read Blackstone, studied Gray's Anatomy, and pursued the studies of the first year in theology.

In 1881 he was elected principal of the public schools of Butler, then having nine teachers and about 400 pupils. His first work was to introduce a system of regulations and course of study that led to the graduation of the first class in 1885, and the first commencement exercises in the history of education in the borough. His summer vacations have been spent largely in attending State and National educational meetings, in travel through the United States, Canada and Europe, and in special study of psychology and pedagogy at Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts. Professor Mackey was married December 20, 1893, to Miss Anna Welshons. That he is superintendent of the Sunday school and treasurer of the Reformed church, president of the Y. M. C. A., a trustee of Franklin and Marshall College, secretary of the board of directors of the Orphans' Home, president of the Mutual Water Association, and a member of the executive committee of the State Teachers' Association, may serve to show that in other lines, as well as that of his life work as teacher, he is endeavoring to realize the motto of his name.

Rev. Henry E. Snyder was born near Boquet, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1864, and is a son of David L. Snyder. His father was born in Westmoreland county, November 19, 1833, taught school for twelve years, and was later engaged in merchandising and farming. He now resides upon a farm in Penn township, Westmoreland county, which he purchased in 1886. He is a trustee and has been a deacon in the Reformed church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He married Mary A., daughter of John Kline, of Penn township, Westmoreland county, in 1856, and has the following children: Addison C.; Elizabeth E.; Amanda J.; Henry E.; Emma S.; Daniel J.; Anne M., and Norah V. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and then attended Delmont Academy, and later, Murrysville Academy. He next taught school for three years, and in 1885 entered the university at Tiffin, Ohio, where he was graduated in 1888. He afterwards attended Franklin and Marshall Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, completed the full course, graduated May 14, 1891, and was licensed to preach by Westmoreland Classis, at Pleasant Unity, Westmoreland county, on Saturday, May 23, 1891. In June, 1891, he received and accepted a call from Bethany Reformed church of Butler, and has since had charge of that congregation. Mr. Snyder was married May 14, 1891, to Miss Imogene M. Long, of Lancaster, and has two children: Cecil L., and Alpheus N.

William C. Negley, son of John H., and Mary (Harper) Negley, and grandson of John Negley, the pioneer, was born in the borough of Butler, December 18, 1850. He attended the public schools of the borough, and passed a short term in what is known as "The Old Stone Academy." In 1865 he entered the United States Academy at Annapolis, and there studied for four years, when he was assigned to service and spent a few years at sea. The condition of his health obliged him to abandon the naval service, and returning to Butler he became associated with his father in the publication of the *Citizen*, fully mentioned in the chapter on the Press. Mr. Negley was married in January, 1878, to Mrs. Emma Stauffer, daughter of Squire Armor of Zelienople. To them have been born seven children, three of whom are living: William, Emma and John. Mr. Negley has always been a stanch Republican, and in his capacity as editor of the *Citizen* has rendered invaluable services to his party in this county.

Eli D. Robinson, son of Thomas and Ann Eliza (De Wolf) Robinson, was born in Penn township, Butler county, March 4, 1855. In 1863 his parents removed to Butler, where he received a practical common school education in the public schools of the borough, and subsequently studied for five years in the Witherspoon Institute. In the winter of 1875–76, he entered his father's law office, and read law for eighteen months, and then abandoned his studies in that direction. Preferring journalism, he purchased the *Eagle* from his father in 1879, and was one of the editors and publishers of that paper, its political department being under his direction, until February 7, 1895, when he became sole proprietor. He wields an earnest, forceful pen, which is used in the advocacy of positive conviction. Mr. Robinson was married March 14, 1883, to Emily E. Rogers, of Harrisburg, to which union three children have been born: Ann De Wolf; Bertha Ewing, and Carl Irving. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Robinson has always been an ardent Republican.

James Monroe Carson was born in North Beaver township, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1857, son of William and Prudence (Calvin) Carson, natives of Lawrence county, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. His paternal grandfather, William Carson, was a native of Ireland, who came to America prior to the Revolution, espoused the cause of the colonists, and served as a soldier in the Colonial army in its struggles for independence. After peace was declared he married Rachel Wilson, of Delaware, and located in Virginia, where he remained until 1799, when he settled within the present limits of Lawrence county. His maternal ancestors emigrated from Scotland to western Pennsylvania, towards the close of the Eighteenth century. The subject of this sketch removed with his parents to Marion township, Butler county, in November, 1868, and spent his youth on his father's farm, receiving his education in the public schools and from private tutors. In 1873 he entered the office of the Butler *Eagle*, as an apprentice to the printing trade, and served the full term of three years. He afterwards worked at his trade in Sharon and Sandy Lake for several years. In 1881 he purchased an interest in the *Eagle*, and entered into partnership with Eli D. Robinson, with whom he was associated, as editor and publisher, under

the firm name of Robinson & Carson, until February 7, 1895, when he retired from the firm. Mr. Carson is a Republican, has always taken an active interest in the success of the principles and candidates of his party; was secretary of the county committee in the presidential campaign of 1888, and has served on other important party committees and conferences. He received the unanimous indorsement of Butler county for State Senator in 1892, but Armstrong county being entitled to the district nomination, it was conceded to the candidate of that county without a contest. In 1891 Mr. Carson was elected reading clerk of the State Senate, and filled the position so acceptably that he was re-elected in 1893, and again in 1895. He was married, in 1882, to Letitia Donaldson, and three daughters have blessed this union, viz.: Luella; Bessie Prudence, and Bertha May. Mr. Carson and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, of Butler.

CHARLES E. HERR, proprietor of the Butler County *Record*, was born in Somerset, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1850, son of Joseph and Mary (Koontz) Herr. His father settled in Somerset about 1830, and his mother, as well as his maternal grandparents, were natives of that town. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native county, learned the printer's trade in the office of the Somerset *Democrat*, and subsequently held the foremanship of the Somerset *Herald*. In 1877, during the highest stage of the oil excitement at Petrolia, he went to that town and established the Petrolia *Record*. Its publication was successfully continued there until June, 1888, when the establishment was moved to Butler, and the name of the paper changed to "The Butler County *Record*." Mr. Herr was married on May 25, 1882, to Emma B. Patterson, of Bridgeport, Ohio, and has three children: Mary; Edgar, and Helen. He and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he has always been independent.

PROF. P. S. BANCROFT was born in Litchfield county, Connecticut, where his parents and maternal grandparents long resided. His maternal grandfather, Grove Pinney, Esq., was for several sessions a member of the legislature, and afterwards of the constitutional convention of the State. His paternal grandfather was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, and his father was a native of the latter State. His ancestors on both sides settled in New England at an early day, the Bancrofts coming from England, and the Pinneys from Scotland. Earl Bancroft, father of the subject of this sketch, moved to Crawford county, Pennsylsylvania, when the latter was eight years old, settling on a farm near Meadville. The son was brought up on the farm and educated at Allegheny College, where he graduated in 1855. For two years he taught Greek and Latin in Madison College, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. In 1861 he entered the One Hundred and Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, as second lieutenant, and subsequently became a member of the Third Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, serving in all nearly four years, during the last two of which he held the rank of captain. In 1866 Prof. Bancroft married Bella Brinker, youngest daughter of Col. Jacob Brinker, and granddaughter of Abraham Brinker, one of the first settlers of Butler. Three children have blessed this union, viz.: Earl D.; Flora Gertrude, and Grove G. In 1877 he came to Butler, and was for several years principal of Witherspoon Institute, but finally abandoned teaching to engage in newspaper

work. In March, 1888, he began writing for the Butler *Eagle*, and became associate editor of the Butler County *Record*, October 1, 1889, upon which journal he is still engaged. Prof. Bancroft and family are members of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church, of Butler, and in politics, he is a supporter of the Republican party.

W. G. Ziegler, son of W. S. and Susan (Schleppy) Ziegler, was born in Butler township, Butler county, May 25, 1858. His father was a son of George Ziegler of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, and brother of Capt. Jacob Ziegler the founder of the *Democratic Herald*, and was born in 1789, and died August 29, 1848. His mother was a daughter of Jacob Schleppy, one of the early settlers of Butler county, and was born in Luzerne county, and died in this county February 14, 1878, aged eighty-seven years. His maternal grandmother was a McCandless, was born in Ireland, came to Butler county in youth, settled in Muddy Creek township, and died in Butler township, April 25, 1866. His paternal grandmother was a Chritzman, was born in Germany, May 1, 1792, came to America in 1801, settled in Baltimore, and died in Butler, April 28, 1865. The subject of this sketch learned the printer's trade in the *Herald* office, with which he has been connected for the past twenty years, as apprentice, foreman and publisher.

Robert McKee, son of James and grandson of Thomas McKee, was born in Butler township, Butler county, June 17, 1817. He was reared upon the farm, and in 1847 he married Mary J. Kirk, a daughter of John Kirk, an early settler of Clarion county. They resided upon a farm in Butler township until 1888, and then removed to Butler, where Mr. McKee died on December 18, 1890, leaving two children, Mary A. and James A. The widow resides with her children in Butler. Mr. McKee was a justice of the peace in Butler township for thirty years, and was a prominent member of the United Presbyterian church.

James A. McKee was born in Butler township, May 11, 1865, son of Robert and Mary McKee. He was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, and subsequently attended Wooster University, at Wooster, Ohio. After completing his education he returned to Butler county, and taught school. In 1888 the family removed into the borough, and he shortly afterwards formed a partnership with W. G. Ziegler, and purchased the *Democratic Herald*, with which he has since been connected as editor and publisher. He is an active member of the Democratic party, has been prominent in the local councils of that organization, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Henry C. Heineman was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, June 13, 1828, son of Daniel J. and Catherine A. (Roth) Heineman, natives of Germany. In July, 1835, the family landed in Philadelphia, and in 1838 came westward to Butler county, settling on a farm near the site of Great Belt, whence they removed to Allegheny, thence to Philadelphia, and later to McKean county. In 1842 they came again to this county and settled in the borough of Butler, where the parents spent the remaining years of their lives. When the family first located in this county, Henry C. worked in a confectionery in Butler, and soon after their return here, he entered the employ of William Campbell & Sons,

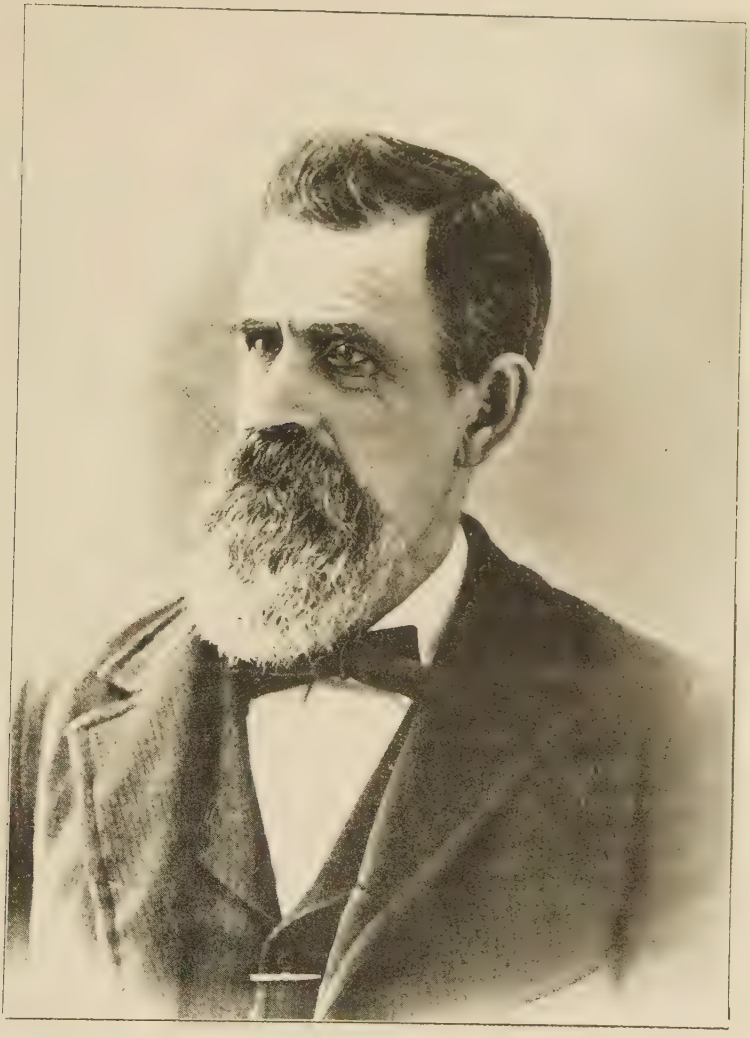
for whom he clerked five years. In January, 1850, he went to California by water, worked in the mines until the following December, and then returned to his home. In March, 1852, he crossed the plains to the Pacific slope and remained working in the mines until June, 1856, when he again returned to Butler. In February, 1857, he embarked in the book and stationery business, which he has followed continuously up to the present. Mr. Heineman was married, October 29, 1857, to Mary E. Coyle, a native of Ireland. Seven children have blessed this union, all of whom are living. Their names are as follows: Catherine A., wife of W. W. Blackmore; Charles M.; Harry D.; William J.; Matilda R.; George E., and Joseph A. Mr. Heineman and family are members of the Presbyterian church, and politically, are stanch adherents of the Democratic party. He has filled the office of school director for two terms; is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F., Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M., the R. A., A. O. U. W., and E. A. U. From the beginning of its history up to the present, he has been prominent in the volunteer fire department of Butler, and is regarded as the father of the department. Mr. Heineman is one of the oldest business men in the borough, carries on its pioneer book store, and is highly respected by the leading people of the community.

Charles M. Heineman, one of the editors of the *Times*, was born in the borough of Butler July 24, 1862, and is a son of Henry C. and Mary (Coyle) Heineman. He was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, and after his school days had ended he entered his father's store as clerk. During this period he gave some attention to journalism, establishing one or more amateur ventures in the journalistic field as early as 1881. He was one of the founders of the *Times* in 1884, and has since been the editor of that paper, in connection with his brother, William J. Mr. Heineman was married to Ella, daughter of James H. Black, November 26, 1885. She is a native of this county and a member of the old family of that name, of whom so many are known here in the trades and professions. Two children have been born of this marriage: Henry N., and Charles C.

John Findley, secretary and treasurer of the Pittsburg Refining Company, Limited, of Pittsburg, was born on the Findley homestead in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, July 19, 1838. He is a son of David and Grace (Cunningham) Findley, and grandson of John Findley, one of the pioneers of Mercer county, who came there from Westmoreland county about 1799. John Findley, Sr., married Elizabeth Amberson, of Mercer, and became the father of the following children: William, a United Presbyterian minister; David; John, an Associate Reformed minister; Patterson, and five who died in infancy. Patterson Findley is the only surviving member of the family. David Findley, the father of our subject, married Grace Cunningham, a daughter of Thomas Scott Cunningham, also a pioneer of Mercer county, who represented his county in Congress several terms. They were the parents of the following children: James Galloway Dinwiddie, and Thomas Scott Cunningham, both deceased; John; Mary Elizabeth; Jennie; Matilda Grace, wife of W. V. Evans, of Tarentum; William Oliver, and three who died in infancy. John was reared on the home farm, and received his early education in the public schools, and later graduated at Iron City Com-

mercial College; removed to Butler county in 1873 and to Butler in 1886. Mr. Findley was married in 1861, to Melissa Painter, a daughter of Philip and Jane (McCoy) Painter, of Mercer county, and is the father of the following children: William Edgar, formerly court stenographer in Butler, now engaged in the railroad business in New York city; Ada Grace; Charles Donald, also in the railroad business in New York city; Norman Painter; Lucretia Jane, and one who died in infancy. In politics, Mr. Findley is a stanch Republican, has served as a member of the school board for a number of years, and is now secretary of the board. Mr. Findley and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler, of which he is treasurer. He is also a member of the R. T. of T., and the K. of P., in both of which he has filled positions of trust.

Maj. Cyrus E. Anderson was born in Washington county, Ohio, August 4, 1822, and was reared in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. He is a son of Robert and Magdalene (Roth) Anderson, the former a native of Allegheny county, and the latter of Perry county, Pennsylvania, and of German extraction. He served two years at the harness maker's trade in Pittsburg, came to Butler county at the age of fifteen, where he worked in the summer and attended school in the winter until twenty-one years of age. He then engaged in teaching, which he followed for fifteen years in Pennsylvania and Iowa. In 1843 he went to Iowa, returned to Pennsylvania in the spring of 1844, located at Meadville in 1854, and in 1857 returned to Butler. He was appointed deputy register and recorder that year, and filled the position for three years. In 1860 he was elected, on the Republican ticket, to the office of register and recorder, and was serving in that capacity when he joined A. G. Reed, in August, 1862, and recruited Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and entered the service as captain of said company. He served in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville; was commissioned major of his regiment February 17, 1863, and was discharged at Harrisburg, May 26, 1863, by reason of expiration of his term of enlistment. Returning home he completed his term as register and recorder. In December, 1863, he became associated with Thomas Robinson in the publication of the American *Citizen*; was appointed district deputy provost marshal in 1864, and sold his interest in the *Citizen* to Mr, Robinson. He served as provost marshal until the close of the war. In 1865 he became business manager of the *Citizen*, and in 1866 purchased the plant and conducted the paper until 1869, when he sold it to John H. Negley. He was elected prothonotary the same year, and after filling that office for one term, he was employed in the various offices in the court house as clerk. In 1891 he was elected justice of the peace, and in the spring of 1894 he was elected burgess of Butler for a term of three years, which positions he is now filling. Mr. Anderson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, was at one time a local preacher in that denomination, and has been a teacher of a bible class in the Butler church for thirty-seven years. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., and is connected with the Masonic order, the I. O. O. F., and the R. A. Major Anderson was married in 1847, to Ruth Brown, a daughter of Adam and Sarah Brown, of Cranberry township, Butler county, to which union have been born six children, two of whom died in infancy, Sarah



A. G. Campbell

Magdalene, and Robert. Those living are: Leonidas L.; Alvin A.; Estella E., and Ulysses S. G.

JOHN T. KELLY, son of Thomas and Miriam Kelly, was born in Washington township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1838. At the age of seventeen he commenced learning the blacksmith's trade, which he followed until June, 1861. He then enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and served in the Rebellion for three years, holding the rank of sergeant. He participated in all the engagements in which his regiment took part, except South Mountain and Antietam, from Mechanicsville to Bethesda Church. At the Seven Days' fight before Richmond, he was captured, and spent forty days in Libby and Belle Isle prisons. He was wounded at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, and was honorably discharged from the service, June 13, 1864. Returning to his home in Butler county, he worked at his trade until 1872, in which year he was elected sheriff, on the Republican ticket. At the expiration of his term, he engaged in various enterprises down to May 20, 1892, on which date he was appointed postmaster at Butler, and still occupies that position. Mr. Kelly was married August 25, 1864, to Miss Eliza J. Shira, and their children are as follows: Millie E., and Hallie, both deceased; Howard A.; Hallet W.; Josie, deceased; Gertrude; Amy, deceased, and Jean. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., and colonel of Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which denomination he has filled the office of elder for many years.

JOSEPH CRISWELL, clerk of the courts of Butler county, was born in Clinton township, Butler county, April 8, 1840. He worked upon his father's farm and attended the common schools of the district at intervals until his twenty-first year, when he enlisted as a private in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, for a term of three years, at the end of which he re-enlisted in the same company. He was wounded at the Wilderness, and was honorably discharged at the close of the war. On April 25, 1864, he married Catherine S. Burkhart, a daughter of Elijah and Rebecca (Richardson) Burkhart, and settled upon a farm in Butler township. They are the parents of two sons and four daughters, as follows: James B., a resident of Knoxville, Tennessee; Jean R., wife of John P. Wilson, a lawyer of Pittsburg; Letitia M., wife of R. C. Little, a resident of Meadville; Kathleen M., who assists her father in the office; William Clifford, and Josephine. Mr. Criswell is a past master Mason, a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., and of Butler Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L. The family are adherents of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Criswell is a stanch Republican, and was elected clerk of the courts in 1890, by a majority of 955, and was re-elected in 1893, by a majority of 1,917, the largest majority given to any man on the ticket. He is one of the most popular officials in the county, and has won and retained a wide circle of friends.

ANDREW GRAHAM CAMPBELL was born on the old homestead farm in Concord township, Butler county, July 1, 1842, and is the youngest in the family of Alexander and Eliza Campbell. He was reared upon his father's farm, and also followed milling, his father being the owner of a mill. In 1868 he embarked in

merchandising in Concord township, whence he removed to Mount Chestnut, afterwards to Brownsdale, then to Butler, and finally to Boydstown. He married Rachel J., daughter of George Hutchison, of Oakland township, August 7, 1862, and they are the parents of six children, as follows: Alexander M.; Eliza A., wife of John H. Robb; Thomas A.; William J.; Charles F., and Millard H. In August, 1862, Mr. Campbell enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered in at Harrisburg the same month. The regiment was moved to Arlington Heights, and took part in the battle of Antietam. He afterwards served on detail service with the supply train, and continued in that capacity until his discharge, June 16, 1865. Returning to his home he resumed his old business of farming and milling, and also embarked in merchandising. In 1893 he was elected, on the Republican ticket, sheriff of Butler county, and took charge of his office January 1, 1894. Mr. Campbell is a capable and popular official, and has many warm friends in every township of his native county.

Richard Kelly, third son of Thomas and Miriam (Wilson) Kelly, was born in Washington township, Butler county, March 8, 1841. He grew to manhood on the farm, working at farm labor during the summer and attending school during the winter, and thus gained a fair common school education. At the age of nineteen he began teaching, receiving fourteen dollars per month and "boarding round" with the scholars, and with the exception of two winters during the Civil war, he has been engaged in teaching in the public schools of Butler county ever since. Mr. Kelly received an academic education in institutions of that kind at Fairview and Harrisville, Butler county, and at Dayton, Armstrong county. In the fall of 1861 he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and saw some hard service on the march and on the battle field, being engaged in the siege of Yorktown, in the battles of Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Jones Bridge, and other battles and skirmishes incident to a change of base from the York to the James river. Near Harrison's Landing he became disabled by reason of chronic diarrhœa and lung disease, and was sent from that point to the general hospital on David's Island, New York, where he was treated without success, and in the spring of 1863 he was honorably discharged as unfit for further service in the army. After remaining at home for about a year, and having partially regained his health, he was overtaken by the draft of 1864, and went back again to the army as a member of Company G, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers. With this regiment he engaged in the siege of Petersburg, and spent most of the winter of 1864 at Fort McGilvery, on the Appomattox river. At the close of the war he was honorably discharged and returned to his home, but being unable to engage in heavy labor he resumed his life work as a teacher. In May, 1869, Mr. Kelly was married to Nannie J. Hillard, of Venango township, Butler county, who became the mother of his eight children, viz.: Theodore P.; Nola B.; Ivy M.; Richard A.; Ethel I.; Zillah M.; Jonathan R., and Marcus R. He was at one time a candidate for county superintendent of common schools, but was defeated. In 1893 he was nominated for the office of county commissioner, by the Republican party, and was elected to said office, which position he now occupies.

William Russell was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1820, and when six years of age his parents immigrated to Philadelphia, where he grew to manhood, receiving in the public schools of that city a common school education. He came to Butler county when a young man, and purchased property in Harrisville, Mercer township. He followed school teaching for some years, and in 1849 went to California and remained on the Pacific coast twenty-six years, then returned to Butler, where he died October 20, 1885, at the home of his son, Alexander. In 1837 Mr. Russell married Sarah Buchanan, a daughter of Alexander Buchanan, of Mercer township, to which union were born seven children, as follows: Martha, who married Dr. McConnell, of Mercer township; Alexander; David H.; Mary, wife of Stewart Duncan, of Mercer county; Nancy J., wife of Henry Watson, of Clarion county, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Russell and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church. Politically, he was a Republican, and filled the office of justice of the peace for some years.

Alexander Russell, eldest son of William and Sarah Russell, was born in Harrisville, Butler county, November 19, 1840, received a common school education, and completed his studies at the Rimersburg Academy and the Harrisville High School, then under the principalship of Dr. W. T. Hamilton. Mr. Russell followed school teaching for many years, and in 1878 was elected, on the Democratic ticket, prothonotary of Butler county, and filled the office to the satisfaction of the people. Since 1888 he has been deputy prothonotary, under Mr. Brown and Mr. Seaton, the latter being the present incumbent. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered into the service at Harrisburg, and served in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, when his term of service having expired, he was honorably discharged, May 26, 1863. Mr. Russell is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., of Butler, of which he has been commander. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, has filled the office of elder in that society, and is one of the leading members of the Democratic party in Butler county. In 1868 he married Ann Eliza Conway, a daughter of Hugh Conway, of Cherry township, and has a family of four children, viz.: William G.; Della; Sadie, and John.

Nathan Slater was born near Plainfield, Connecticut, in 1786, was reared upon a farm, and learned the carpenter's trade. He married Freelove Crossman, of New York, and became the father of five children, as follows: Sarah M., who married Nathaniel Walker, of Butler county; Amaty M., deceased; Henry, and Calista F., both deceased, and Nathan M. In 1820 Mr. Slater came to Butler county, and settled upon a farm in Cranberry township, near the site of Callery Junction. His wife died upon this farm in 1852, and he subsequently removed to Sharon, Pennsylvania, where he died at the home of his daughter, in 1870. He was a member of the Baptist church, and a very worthy man. In politics, he was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, when he joined that organization. He filled the offices of school director and supervisor in Cranberry township, and during his residence there was one of its well known citizens.

NATHAN M. SLATER, youngest child of Nathan and Freelove (Crossman) Slater, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, December 1, 1822; received his education in the district school, and subsequently studied civil engineering, which he has followed since early manhood. In 1865 he was elected surveyor of Butler county, was re-elected in 1868, and again in 1871; was appointed to the same office by the court of common pleas in 1875, and was again elected in 1880. Since the expiration of his last term of office, he has devoted his attention to civil engineering. Mr. Slater was married April 28, 1848, to Sarah McCandless, a daughter of James McCandless, of Middlesex township. Seven children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Howard; Daniel C.; James M.; Matilda B., wife of Paul Mitchell; Angelica C.; Leila A., and Mary L. Mr. Slater is one of the most thoroughly informed men in the county in regard to the early surveys and land titles, because of the many years he served as county surveyor; while his long residence in the county has made him familiar with its pioneer history, upon which he is a very good authority. He is an unswerving Republican, and delights in political discussion.

CAPT. HENRY PILLOW was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1824, a son of William Pillow, one of the pioneer carpenters of the county, who died in Connoquenessing township. William Pillow was twice married, and by his first marriage was the father of four children, as follows: William; Henry; John, and Ellen, wife of C. Shanor. By his second wife he was the father of one son, Matthew. The subject of this sketch learned the carpenter's trade with his father, at which he worked many years, and was later a surveyor, following the latter business until his death. He married Caroline Ensley, and their children were as follows: Susan, wife of J. M. Lieghner; Raymond H.; George; Sallie, who married Edward Vogeley; Carrie, wife of Valentine Hickman, and Alta, wife of Adam Sarver. Captain Pillow commanded Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, in the late Rebellion. He was a leading Republican, served in the legislature in 1865–66, and was a man of some local prominence in political circles. He died in 1881. His widow resides in Butler.

CHARLES F. L. MCQUISTION was born in Brady township, Butler county, April 17, 1867, and is the eldest in the family of James P. and Eleanor McQuistion. He received a public school education, and subsequently prosecuted his studies at Grove City College. He learned civil engineering under R. F. Hunter, of Pittsburg, and located in Butler in 1888, where he has since been engaged in the duties of his profession. He has been city engineer four years, and is now serving his second term as county surveyor. Mr. McQuistion was married January 19, 1887, to Sarah, a daughter of James Stewart, of Washington county, Pennsylvania. His wife died March 18, 1890. He was again married, May 14, 1891, to May, daughter of William Royle, of Allegheny township, Butler county, and has two children: Vane L., and Byron F. Mr. McQuistion is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

ISAAC MEALS, clerk of the board of county commissioners, was born in Washington township, Butler county, November 19, 1843, son of Joseph G. and Hannah (Hilliard) Meals. He was reared on the homestead farm, was edu-

cated in the common schools and at West Sunbury Academy, and graduated at Iron City College, Pittsburg, in 1867. The autumn after graduating he commenced teaching in his native township, which he followed during the winter seasons for five years, working on the farm in summer. He followed agricultural pursuits until February, 1891, when he was elected to his present position, which he has since filled in a highly satisfactory manner. Prior to his removal to Butler, he filled the office of county auditor, from 1871 to 1873. Mr. Meals was married December 22, 1870, to Clara Gilmore, a step-daughter of Judge James Kerr, who is the mother of three children, as follows: Horace G.; Bernice, and Erla. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Meals is a consistent Republican.

Adam Kamerer was born in Brady's Bend township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, February 2, 1845, son of Daniel and Anna Harriet Kamerer. He remained with his parents working upon the farm until February, 1864, when he enlisted in Company C, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was mustered into the service at Pittsburg. He went with his company to Martinsburg, West Virginia, and participated in the Shenandoah campaign. He was honorably discharged at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, August 24, 1865, and returned to his home in Butler county. Mr. Kamerer was married May 9, 1867, to Julia A. Hepler, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Hepler, of Fairview township, and to this union have been born seven children, viz.: Lizzie A., wife of Harry Turner, of Butler; Cora J., deceased; Maggie E.; Mary E.; Calvin E., deceased; Annie O., and Ida P. Mr. Kamerer followed farming in Donegal township until his removal to Butler in 1890. He is now filling the position of janitor in the court house. Politically, he is a Republican. He is a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F., Butler Tent, Number 34, K. O. T. M., and A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R.

John Huselton was born near Lambertsville, New Jersey, in 1815, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer and tanner. He removed to Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, where he embarked in farming in connection with the lumber business. From there he came to Butler county and settled in Butler township, purchasing a farm of ninety acres. He also followed butchering, and was a contractor in the construction of the plank road. He finally purchased property in Butler, upon which he built a home, where he resided until his death, February 2, 1893. His wife survives, and resides in the old homestead. Mr. Huselton was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a very worthy citizen. He was a Republican in politics, and served as justice of the peace for fifteen years. He took a very active part in developing the oil fields of Butler county.

John F. Huselton was born in Butler county, August 9, 1853, and is a son of John Huselton. After receiving a common school education, he remained with his parents until attaining his majority, then went to Philadelphia, where he was married to Josephine, daughter of Christopher Hinchberger of that city. Four children were born of this union: Christopher H.; John F.; Elmer S., and Josephine E. After his marriage he returned to Butler county, followed farming for two years, and then removed to Philadelphia, where he engaged in a wholesale

stationery business, which he has continued up to the present. Desiring to make his home in Butler, he purchased a part of the Dougal property, upon which he erected the Huselton block, and two years later bought the Anderson block adjoining, also the residence of Frank Biedenbach, on McKean street, in which he resides. Mr. Huselton is a member of the Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Stephen H. Huselton was born in Butler township, Butler county, July 5, 1862, son of John Huselton. He received a common school education, came to Butler with his parents, and read law in the office of W. D. Brandon. He was admitted to the bar April 10, 1886, and in 1888 embarked in the oil business, which he has since continued in connection with his legal practice. Mr. Huselton was married May 25, 1891, to Leverne, daughter of Capt. D. R. Rodgers, of Butler. Politically, he is a Republican, and was chairman of the county committee during the gubernatorial campaign of 1890.

Charles A. Bailey, cashier of the Butler County National Bank, is a son of Capt. Daniel W. and Mary T. (Rorke) Bailey, and was born in Buffalo, New York, February 18, 1858. His father came to Pithole, Venango county, in 1865, and subsequently embarked in the fancy goods business at Franklin, with branch stores at the different oil centers of Butler county. He returned to Buffalo, where he was appointed book-keeper in the pension department, which position he still occupies. The subject of this sketch was reared in Venango and Butler counties, and received his education in the public schools and at the State Normal School, at Edinboro. He was employed in the postoffices at Franklin, Petrolia, Millerstown, Butler and Pithole, at different periods, his father being postmaster at the last mentioned place. In 1882 Mr. Bailey was appointed teller of the Butler County Bank, of Millerstown, held that position three years, and, in 1885, became book-keeper of the Butler Savings Bank, which position he filled until January, 1890. He then became book-keeper for the Butler Manufacturing Company, entered the Butler County National Bank in the capacity of assistant cashier that year, and in August, 1891, was elected cashier of the latter institution. In 1877 Mr. Bailey was married to Abbie L., a daughter of Luther Badger, of Warren county, and is the father of six children, as follows: Julian G.; Bell T.; Raymond W.; Francis F.; Agnes M., and Reese C., the last two of whom are deceased. He is a trustee in the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler, is a Prohibitionist, in politics, and is connected with K. of P., and K. of H.

John W. Brown was born in Harrisville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1843, son of Samuel and Eliza J. (Waddell) Brown, and grandson of Ebenezer Brown, one of the first settlers of Mercer township. He grew to manhood in his native village, obtained a good common school education, and also received instruction from private teachers. He learned the tanner's trade, which he followed until 1879, and was then appointed to a clerkship in the prothonotary's office, by Alexander Russell. He served under Mr. Russell and his successor, M. N. Greer, for several years, and in 1885 was elected a justice of the peace for Butler, which position he held until 1887. He was then elected to the office of prothonotary, and was re-elected in 1890, filling that position six years. Mr. Brown was also a jury commissioner in 1870 and a director of the public

schools for six years. Politically, he is a Democrat, and one of the leading members of his party in Butler county. In August, 1864, he enlisted in Company H, Sixth Heavy Artillery, and served until discharged, because of sickness, May 22, 1865. He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., also of the I. O. O. F., K. of P., A. O. U. W., and B. P. O. E. Mr. Brown married Emma F., daughter of W. S. Bingham, of Centreville, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of six children, four of whom are living: Jennie M.; Maude, wife of H. H. Goff, of Erie, Pennsylvania; Bertie, and Horace B. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church of Butler.

Edward Everett Abrams was born July 9, 1856, at Rimersburg, Clarion county, Pennsylvania, and is a son of James H. and Hannah (McCutcheon) Abrams, and grandson of David Abrams, whose parents were pioneer settlers at Turkey Foot, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. Their ancestors came from Scotland, and the bible, over 100 years old, containing the beautifully written family record, is now in possession of Mr. Abrams. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native town, where he attended the common school and Clarion Collegiate Institute. He also attended the seminary at Clarion, and Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, Pennsylvania. He received his business education at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, New York, and his military training at Tarrytown-on-Hudson. He was, when eighteen years old, first sergeant of Company F, Seventeenth Regiment, N. G. P., and while in camp with two regiments was complimented by inspecting officers for best records. His father being largely engaged in the oil business, he began to assist him at Karns City in 1876, and from 1877 to 1879 they operated in the Bradford oil field. On August 20, 1879, Mr. Abrams was married, by the late Bishop Stevens, to M. Genevieve, daughter of Charles M. Allen, late consul to the Bermuda Islands, to which position he was appointed by President Lincoln during the Rebellion, and continued to fill it through every administration since that time up to his death, in 1888. Having purchased the farm on which Karns City is situated, he removed there in 1879, and thence to Butler in 1886. He is an ardent Republican, was elected a delegate to the State convention that nominated Senator Quay for State treasurer, in 1885, served his party as chairman of the Republican county committee in the Beaver campaign, in 1886, and in 1892 was elected alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention at Minneapolis. Having been in a banking house several years, he was one of the active incorporators of the Butler County National Bank, of which he continues to be a director and member of the discount board. He continues to manage his property at Karns City and is engaged in the oil business and other enterprises. He is a newspaper writer of known reputation, having written many letters and sketches both for the oil country and metropolitan press, under the *nom de plume* of "Van Winkle." Mr. Abrams' family consists of the following children: Myra Genevieve; Edward Everett; Allen; Lucile; Eleanor, and John McClelland. The death of Dorothy Hannah, aged two years, recently occurred. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church. He is recognized as one of the progressive citizens of the community.

Charles A. Abrams, son of James H. and Hannah (McCutcheon) Abrams, was born March 5, 1858, at Rimersburg, Clarion county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public schools and at Clarion Collegiate Institute, and afterwards attended Sprague Commercial College, Kingston, New York. He then settled at Pittsburg, where he engaged in the brokerage business, and also filled the position of private secretary to J. H. Walter, of the Penn Bank. In 1888 he came to Butler and embarked in the real estate and insurance business, which he has successfully continued up to the present, and has been secretary of the Mechanics' Building and Loan Association of Butler for four years. In 1885 he married Jennie B., a daughter of William Blakely, of Pittsburg, and has two children, Louisa H., and James H. Mr. Abrams is a supporter of the Republican party, and in religious faith, he is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Hon. Thomas W. Phillips, the leading oil operator of western Pennsylvania, and member of Congress from this district, was born in what is now Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, February 23, 1835. Though a resident of New Castle, his prominence and success in the development of the Butler oil field have made his name a household word in every town and hamlet of Butler county. His father was a native of New Jersey and his mother of Philadelphia. They settled on the site of Old Enon, Lawrence county, in 1818, where his father soon after erected a fulling mill and saw mill. Ten years later they removed to a farm of one hundred acres near Mt. Jackson, where his father died, leaving a family of eight children, Thomas, the youngest, being about ten months old. The devoted wife and mother had a long and painful struggle to rear, support and educate her children. Thomas obtained his education in the common schools, supplemented by private instruction and self application in later years. He improved every opportunity and became well versed in the most practical branches of a general English education. He read, widely and judiciously, history, biography and scientific literature, was fond of the lyceum, and obtained local distinction as an original thinker and debater. He finally concluded to enter the ministry of the Disciples church, and at the age of twenty gave promise of attaining the ambition of his young manhood, but an injury to his lungs compelled him to abandon this purpose and turn his attention to some out-door pursuit, with a view to restoring his health.

About this time the oil business was attracting considerable attention, and he visited the oil region, embarked in the industry, and success crowned his efforts from the start. The business thus commenced was continued under the firm of Phillips Brothers, and attained such magnitude as to place this firm among the largest and most successful operators in the world. The firm was finally dissolved, and for a number of years Mr. Phillips has been pursuing the business alone. From that time down to the present he has continued the development of many different fields, and has led the van of enterprising operators to whom Butler county largely owes its present prosperity. In every movement for the protection or improvement of the producing industry, Mr. Phillips has taken an active and leading part, and the producers and operators of western Pennsylvania owe him a debt of gratitude for his watchful care in thwarting hostile legislation. When the movement was undertaken to limit production and thus reduce

the excessive stock of oil on hand, he firmly refused to curtail operations until a satisfactory provision, which he proposed, was made to compensate and protect the labor engaged in the industry, by setting aside 2,000,000 barrels of oil for its benefit.

Mr. Phillips has had a remarkable business career, both for its success and the courage, honesty and tenacity displayed, when success was followed by reverses and the latter by greater good fortune. That which would have appalled a less courageous man only served to bring out his strong character, and, when almost overwhelmed with losses brought on by the unforeseen panic of 1873, the firm declined any financial compromise for their benefit, saying they would pay their indebtedness with interest. With indomitable energy Mr. Phillips launched into oil producing on a vast scale and a plan exclusively his own, and in the short term of fifteen years paid off over $800,000, and made good his promises to his creditors. Not only did he pay his indebtedness, but he accumulated besides a handsome fortune. It is not strange that he has won the unbounded confidence of the people of western Pennsylvania. His whole career has been characterized by remarkable executive ability, untiring industry and perseverance, great public enterprise, unswerving integrity and munificent charity.

Mr. Phillips came prominently into public life in 1880, during the Garfield campaign. Being an ardent Republican and a warm personal friend of General Garfield, he laid aside his business and devoted his time and energies to the success of his friend and party. He conceived and planned the Republican text-book of that campaign, the first ever published, assisted in its compilation and became its financial backer. By his efforts in that campaign, he was brought into political prominence, and during the subsequent contest in the Pennsylvania legislature for the United States Senatorship, he repeatedly received votes in the open convention of both Houses. In the fall of 1890 great dissatisfaction existed in the party at the means claimed to have been used by the friends of the successful candidate in obtaining the nomination for Congress in the Twenty-fifth district at the New Castle convention, and Mr. Phillips was afterwards prevailed upon to be a candidate. He was nominated at Harmony, Butler county, made the race, and, though it was impossible to elect a Republican with two candidates in the field, he polled such a large vote as to clearly demonstrate that he was the strongest Republican in the district. Two years passed away, and in the fall of 1892 he was the choice of his party, and was elected by over 4,000 majority. In 1894 he was re-elected by 11,741 majority, the largest ever given in the district, and is now serving his second term. He is a member of the committee on labor, and also that on merchant marine and fisheries. In the extra session of the Fifty-third Congress, he introduced a bill for the coinage of silver, based upon the natural law of supply and demand, believing there has been no sensible silver legislation since the Rebellion. This bill was favorably commented on by the press and a number of men of recognized financial ability.

At the second session of the Fifty-third Congress, Mr. Phillips introduced a bill, "Authorizing the appointment of a non-partisan commission to collate information and to consider and recommend legislation to meet the problems presented by labor, agriculture and capital." This bill was introduced late in the

second session and referred to the committee on labor, and its author looks forward to its favorable consideration in some future session. It is a broad, comprehensive measure, and has been very favorably received by leading men, labor leaders, and newspapers of the country. Its importance may be judged from the fact that it deals with industrial and social problems now pressing for solution, which are the greatest political problems of the age. His many years of experience in the commercial and financial world have thoroughly fitted Mr. Phillips for the duties of legislation, while his rigid industry and sterling integrity leaves no doubt that the interests of the district are safe in his hands.

Mr. Phillips is prominently identified with many of the leading interests of his home. He is president of the Citizens National Bank, of New Castle, holds the same position with the New Castle Street Electric Railway Company, is a trustee of Bethany College, in West Virginia, and also of Hiram College, in Ohio. He is a member of the State executive board of the Y. M. C. A., and few men have contributed so generously to religious, educational and charitable institutions. In 1862 he married Clarinda Hardman, of Lowellville, Ohio, who died in November, 1866, leaving two sons, Herbert C., and Norman A. Four years later he married Pamphylia Hardman, a younger sister of his first wife, and has three sons and one daughter by this union, viz.: Victor K., who is general and financial manager of his father's oil business; Thomas W.; Clarinda G., and Benjamin Dwight.

Victor K. Phillips was born in New Castle, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, February 7, 1872, and is a son of Hon. Thomas W. Phillips, member of Congress from this district, and one of the most prominent oil operators in the United States. After receiving a public school education, and graduating at the High School, in New Castle, he studied under private tutors, but was compelled to give up his studies on account of weakness of the eyes. He came to the oil country when eighteen years of age, has been connected with his father ever since, and is now the general and financial manager of his father's extensive oil business in Butler county. Politically, he is a Republican.

John Q. A. Kennedy, oil operator, was born in Winfield township, Butler county, June 8, 1823, and is the eldest son of John and Ann C. Kennedy, pioneers of that township. He was reared upon the farm, and was educated in the common schools and at Butler Academy. He followed school teaching for several years, and during the war was assistant provost marshal of this district. In 1860 he went into the oil business, in which he has been quite successful, is now one of the leading producers and operators in the county, and owns valuable production. On June 4, 1846, he married Hannah Maharg, a daughter of John Maharg, of Penn township, and is the father of two children, viz.: John G., and Newton, deceased. Politically, Mr. Kennedy is a Republican, and has filled the office of justice of the peace, and also burgess of Butler. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and one of the well known, enterprising citizens of the borough. In 1884 he purchased the Clint Wiser property in Butler, where he has since resided. He is recognized as one of the solid and substantial business men of his native county.

Andrew White McCollough was born on the old White homestead, in Franklin township, Butler county, April 15, 1840, son of Matthew and Jane (White) McCollough. His paternal and maternal grandparents were pioneers of Franklin township, and among the leading farmers of early days. His mother died when Andrew W. was only four years old, and he then went to make his home with his grandparents, Andrew S. and Angelina White, with whom he remained until he arrived at manhood. He was educated in the common and normal schools, and in Connoquenessing Academy, at Zelienople, and taught in Connoquenessing, Jackson and Franklin townships four terms. He then embarked in merchandising at Prospect, which he followed from 1861 to 1871. In the latter year he engaged in oil operations at Parker, Bear Creek, Millerstown, and Greece City, which he followed for several years with varied success. He was afterwards connected with the oil business in all its departments, and for the past thirty-three years he has been interested in oil and gas production, in the latter of which he has been eminently successful, having developed six of the largest gas fields in Pennsylvania. Mr. McCollough is one of the best known and most widely informed gas and oil men in the State, is a recognized authority on the geological structure of the gas and oil regions, and possesses the largest private collection of standard works on geology in western Pennsylvania. His sound judgment and gratifying success in that line is admitted by all leading operators.

When at the height of a prosperous career, Mr. McCollough met with unlooked for reverses that swept away the earnings of many years and left him deeply involved on his own account and as an endorser for others. With inspired energy he went bravely to work to rebuild his shattered fortunes, and with abiding faith in the great gas belt of western Pennsylvania, he turned his attention to its exploration and development. His wonderful success in this direction soon built up his financial condition, and, with rare honesty, he has since paid off his entire indebtedness, besides tens of thousands of dollars for which he was but an endorser, in spite of the fact that he had gone through bankruptcy, and was not compelled, legally, to pay one cent. This exhibition of moral integrity has stamped him as a man of sterling honesty, who values his good name far more than riches. Mr. McCollough was married on October 17, 1867, to Miss Mary Bredin, a daughter of Edward M. and Adelia (Purviance) Bredin, both well-known pioneer families of Butler. Three children have blessed this union, viz.: Marian; Kelt, and Harry Ford. Mrs. McCollough and daughters are members of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church, while Mr. McCollough is a member of the Presbyterian church. He has always been a stanch Republican, and has been connected with Butler Lodge, F. & A. M., since early manhood. He has given liberally of his means towards the advancement of education and religion, and enjoys the respect and confidence of the community.

Thomas Donaghy was born in County Antrim, Ireland, April 14, 1828, and is the eldest son of Joseph Donaghy. He received a public school education in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, and spent his early manhood on the homestead in Brady township. In 1854 he embarked in the mercantile business at Adamsville, Crawford county, where he remained some four years, then sold out and

removed to Washington, Iowa, where he taught school for one winter. Returning to Centerville, Butler county, he spent two years, working on the homestead in Brady township most of the time, and then went to Venango county and worked in the oil fields up to 1865. In that year he was elected justice of the peace in Cornplanter township, Venango county, and served five years. In 1870 he removed to Greenville, Mercer county, bought a farm and resided upon it two years, operating in oil. In 1872 he sold the farm and located in Butler, where he worked for the United Pipe Line Company two years. He then entered the prothonotary's office under Dr. Conn, and also served under his successor, H. Tebay, when he was made deputy sheriff by George Walter, and filled the same position under John Mitchell and W. H. Hoffman. In 1882 he was elected sheriff of Butler county, and after serving his full term of three years, he continued as deputy sheriff under Peter Kramer. After leaving this position he embarked in the oil business in the Harmony field, where he is still operating. Mr. Donaghy was united in marriage November 9, 1854, to Miss Rebecca Lyon, of Mercer county, to whom have been born seven children: Joseph M., deceased; Harry J.; Emma F.; Rosa A., widow of George W. Ziegler, and three who died in infancy. Mr. Donaghy is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party, and both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Alfred Wick, eldest son of Andrew and Sarah (Shryock) Wick, was born in West Sunbury, Butler county, August 31, 1837. He clerked in his father's store for some years, and subsequently became a member of the firm of Wick & Son, of West Sunbury. In 1862 he located at Rouseville, Venango county, and engaged in the hotel businesss, removing the following year to a farm in Washington township, Butler county, where he continued in agricultural pursuits until 1876. He then located in Butler, purchased the old Finley Hotel, changed the name to the Wick House, and carried it on until 1884. In 1885 he embarked in oil producing, has continued in that business up to the present, and is one of the leading operators of the county. In politics, he was a Republican until two years ago, since which time he has been a Prohibitionist. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church of Butler, and a liberal contributor to that church. Mr. Wick was married, September 15, 1859, to Sarah A. Mechling, a daughter of Joseph Mechling, of Washington township. Seven children have been born to this union, viz.: Alice; Harry, deceased; Mary, wife of David E. Dale; Stella A., wife of A. E. Russell; Sarah Blanche; Frances G., and George B.

John H. Sutton was born in Clay township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1838. His father, Jeremiah Sutton, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1808, where his parents settled at an early day. Jeremiah was a shoemaker by trade, and also followed farming. He married Mrs. Margaret Harper, *nee* Shryock, of Butler county, in 1835. She died in 1842, leaving two children: Chambers S., and John H. The father died July 14, 1852. Both were members of the Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was educated in the district school, and, in 1853, commenced clerking in the store of Harper Brothers, at North Washington, where he remained until 1858. He spent the following three years in Iowa and Colorado, and then returning to Butler county, enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve,

and was sworn in at Camp Wright, June 10, 1861. His regiment joined the Army of the Potomac, and he participated in the following battles: Gaines Mill, Second Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam and Fredericksburg. He was captured at Gaines Mill, and taken to Belle Isle, where he was kept a prisoner forty days and then exchanged. He returned to his regiment in September, 1862, and was promoted to second lieutenant. He was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg, was taken prisoner and confined in Libby prison for two months, being paroled February 14, 1863, and sent to Annapolis Hospital, Maryland. He was honorably discharged July 3, 1863, and returning to Butler county, became a member of the firm of Harper Brothers, at North Washington, in 1864. In 1865 he sold out his interest and settled on a farm, where he remained until his election as clerk of courts in 1872. On the expiration of his term he embarked in the oil business, in which he is still engaged. Mr. Sutton was married March 1, 1864, to Marie M., a daughter of Joseph and Nancy Mechling, of Washington township, to which union have been born seven children: Emma L., wife of H. W. Christie, of Butler; Frank M.; Agnes E., wife of W. E. McClung, of Butler; Maud H.; William D.; Angie A., and John C. Mr. Sutton was originally a Republican, but is now a Prohibitionist, and is a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Butler.

Maj. Robert J. Phipps, one of the division superintendents of the Forest Oil Company, is a well known and popular citizen of Butler, which has been his headquarters for several years. He was born in Clinton township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, January 24, 1839, a son of Joseph and Elizabeth Lowrie (Whann) Phipps, both pioneer families of that county. He was reared in his native township, enlisted in Company H, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, October 14, 1861, and served until the close of the war, participating in fifty-six engagements and skirmishes, including every important battle in which the Army of the Potomac was engaged. He filled every grade in his regiment from private to major, served a year and a half as inspector general of the Second brigade, Second division, Cavalry corps, Army of the Potomac, and was breveted lieutenant colonel near the close of the war upon the recommendation of General Sheridan, "for gallant, efficient and meritorious services in action." Major Phipps was one of the most efficient soldiers from Venango county, and his comrades gladly accord him that honor. After the war he followed merchandising for a considerable period, and was also a justice of the peace at Clintonville twelve years. In 1875 he entered the employ of the Phillips Brothers, then operating in the Bullion oil field, and contined as one of their most valuable and trusted men, throughout their operations in Venango and Butler counties until 1890, when he became associated with the Forest Oil Company, and has since occupied his present responsible position. Major Phipps was married January 16, 1865, to Hattie A. Cross, a daughter of Judge Robert Cross, of Clintonville. Of their two children, Marshall L. survives, and is a member of the Venango bar. Major Phipps is a Republican, but takes no active interest in public affairs. He was one of the organizers of Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L., of Butler, of which he has been colonel commander, and is also a member of the G. A. R., the F. & A. M., and other fraternal societies.

Isaiah J. McCandless, oil operator, is a son of Nathan F. and Elizabeth (Thompson) McCandless, and was born on the homestead in Centre township, Butler county, August 24, 1843. He received his primary education in the common schools, and afterwards attended West Sunbury Academy, Prospect Academy, and Witherspoon Institute, and taught in the public schools of the county for several years. In 1864 he enlisted in Company A, Two Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. In 1865 he went into the oil fields of Venango county, and subsequently operated in Butler, Armstrong and McKean counties. From 1873 to 1878 he was engaged in oil producing at Greece City, and in Concord township, and in 1882 he located in Butler. His present production is in Connoquenessing and Washington townships, and he is also engaged in farming the old McCandless homestead, which he owns. He was secretary of the Soldiers' Monument Society, and took an active interest in the erection of the monument in Butler, He is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., and also of Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M. He has always taken a deep interest in the progress of education, and has served as a school director for several years. He has been a lifelong member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, is a stanch Republican. Mr. McCandless was married in 1869, to Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Kelly, of Butler township. They are the parents of three children: Aden B.; Rosamond, and Lillian. He has erected many of the private dwellings in the borough, is one of the successful oil producers of Butler county, and is a stockholder, director, and treasurer of the Citizens Gas Company, of which he was one of the incorporators. He is recognized as an enterprising, liberal and progressive business man.

Harvey S. Gibson was born on the Gibson homestead in Parker township, Butler county, September 2, 1844, son of James and Jane Gibson. He was reared on a farm, received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1869 he went to Petroleum Centre, where he engaged in rig building, which he followed through the extension of the oil fields down to Parker, where he commenced as an operator. He has continued in the oil industry in connection with contracting down to the present, removing to Butler in 1880, where he had purchased a property in 1873. Mr. Gibson was married on March 21, 1866, to Margaret Gahegan, of Washington township, Armstrong county. They are the parents of five children, viz.: Anna J., wife of Barnhardt E. Roessing; Mary A.; Cora B., wife of William J. Rice; Minnie E., and Stella A. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a trustee in the Butler congregation. In politics, he is independent, has served in the borough council, and is now president of the board of health. Mr. Gibson is a member of Camp Number 14, W. of W.

Henderson W. Christie was born in Portersville, Butler county, March 11, 1845, eldest son of Thomas G. and Nancy R. Christie, and grandson of Thomas Christie, a pioneer of 1812. After receiving a common school education he attended a select school at Centreville, and also Witherspoon Institute. In 1870 he was severely injured by a fall, which resulted in necrosis, and he was bedfast for ten years. In 1882 he was nominated and elected, on the Repub-

can ticket, register and recorder of Butler county, and served a full term. He went into the oil business in 1886 at Renfrew, his first well producing twenty-five barrels per day. He put down his second well on the Williamson Bartley farm at Thorn Creek, which came in at 7,000 barrels per day. Since that time he has operated in the Evans City, the Amberson and Little Creek fields in Butler county, and also in West Virginia, but is at present confining his operations to the Amberson, Callery and Garvin fields. On December 9, 1884, he married Emma L. Sutton, a daughter of John H. Sutton, of Butler, and has five children, viz.: Georgia M.; Catherine; Jean; Charles H., and H. W., Jr. Mr. Christie is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is recognized as one of the most energetic business men of the county.

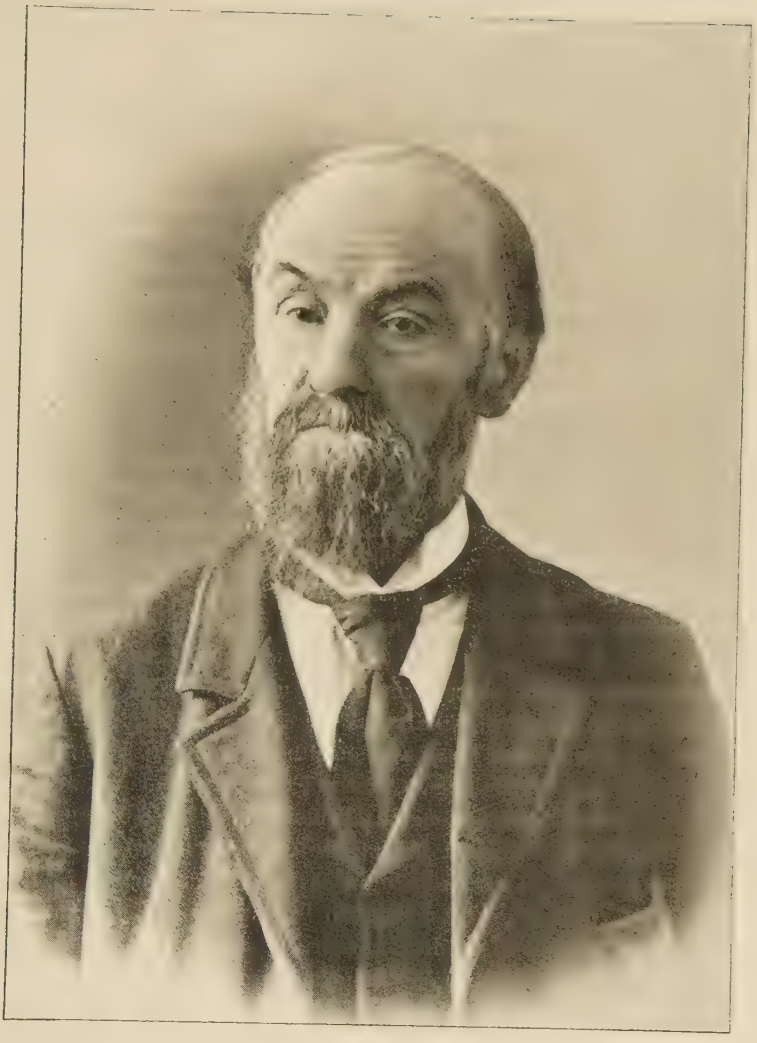
W. V. Hardman was born at Minerva, Stark county, Ohio, September 20, 1840, and was a son of David W. and Nancy (Arter) Hardman. After reaching manhood he was employed in his father's grist mill at Lowellville, Ohio, for some years. He was afterwards appointed by William Pitt Fessenden, secretary of the United States treasury, supervisor of the port at Cairo, Illinois, which position he filled until the close of the war. He then engaged in the grocery business at Centralia, Illinois, and there married Mary M., daughter of Andrew Scott, July 28, 1865. After his marriage he removed to Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, and soon after entered the employ of Phillips Brothers, Boyles & Company as a pumper, subsequently took charge of the steam pump for supplying the water in their oil operations in the Petroleum Centre field, Venango county, and later was promoted to superintendent of the Petroleum Centre and Pithole fields, which position he filled until the dissolution of the company. He was then appointed general manager for the Phillips Brothers in their Butler county operations, and from 1873 to 1875 was engaged in leasing oil lands in Butler and Clarion counties. In connection with Maj. R. J. Phipps, he leased all the lands now operated by the Forest Oil Company in the Glade Run field, and was afterwards engaged in leasing and disposing of gas and oil properties for Thomas W. Phillips. Mr. Hardman was in confidential business relations with Mr. Phillips from his first oil operations to the time of his death, July 23, 1894. His family consists of two sons and one daughter, as follows: Charles S., a lawyer of the Pittsburg bar; William, a photographer, and Edith, wife of H. M. Wertz. Politically, Mr. Hardman was a Republican, and was one of the well-known citizens of Butler, where he resided for twelve years. The family were members of the Protestant Episcopal church of Butler, and liberal supporters of that organization during their residence here.

Wilson E. Reed was a son of Wilson E. and Sarah S. Reed, and grandson of Colonel Robert Reed, a pioneer of Harrisville, Butler county. He was born at Whitestown, in Connoquenessing township, June 10, 1846, and was reared on the homestead farm, assisting in the farm duties and attending school during the intervals, when not engaged in his labors at home. While still a youth, he enlisted in Company E, One Hundreth Pennsylvania Volunteers, better known as the "Roundheads," and served with that command until the muster out, July 24, 1865. Returning to Butler county, he found, in a few years, a new line of labor opened to him, and going into the Parker oil field engaged in

rig building. Becoming a contractor, he drilled many of the early wells in the Parker field, thence went into the Bradford field, and in 1880 followed the developments southward until he again found himself in his native county. From that period down to the close of 1891 he was largely interested in oil production and controlled many wells. He also became interested in other enterprises, and was identified with the general progress of the community. Late in 1891, or early in 1892, he began to experience the existence of financial stringency. His investments depreciated and the rewards of almost a quarter century's labor and judicious speculation were threatened with ruin. His nature could not brook such a radical reversal of fortune, and his death was recorded October 18, 1893. He was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church of Butler, also of the school board and council. Mr. Reed married Miss Susan Mook, of New Lebanon, Pennsylvania, April 11, 1867. To this marriage six children were born, namely: Elsie O.; Delmar F.; Lucy E.; Nora; Raymond E., and Daisy E., deceased. During the spring of 1893, Mr. Reed was exposed to repeated attacks of sickness, which recurred at intervals until the close of his life. He was a member of the I. O. O. F., K. of P., A. O. U. W., K. O. T. M., B. P. O. E., and other kindred associations, and was highly respected by the people of this community.

Aaron Bieghley, second son of Michael and Catherine Bieghley, was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, February 25, 1844, was reared upon his father's farm, and received a common school education. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered into the service at Pittsburg, and served until June 1, 1863, when he was honorably discharged. On February 15, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, went with his regiment to Georgetown Camp, thence to Fort Ethan Allan, Cold Harbor, City Point, Weldon Railroad, Chapman's farm, and Petersburg, and was discharged at Philadelphia, January 29, 1866. Returning to his home in Butler county, he afterwards learned the carpenter's trade, and worked in New Castle, Lawrence county, until 1876. In that year he located in the Bullion oil field, and has since been connected with the oil producing interests of western Pennsylvania. In 1880 he came to Butler, and is now superintendent of rig building for Thomas W. Phillips. Mr. Bieghley was married in May, 1872, to Matilda Moyer, a daughter of Samuel Moyer, of Lancaster township, to which union have been born nine children, viz.: Ada E.; Elsie H.; Samuel E.; Howard P.; Julian C., deceased; Hosea W.; Plummer M.; Nora L., and Darley M. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

James A. Bonner, son of Archibald D. and Susannah Bonner, was born in Clinton township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1847. He attended the public schools of his township, and worked upon his father's farm until 1864, when he went into the oil business at East Sandy, Venango county, and subsequently followed the same business at Scrubgrass, Foxburg, and Foster Island, also operated at different points along the Allegheny river, and at Bullion, Venango county. In 1876 he entered the employ of the Phillips Brothers, and has continued with them for the past eighteen years. In 1881 he came to Butler county, and located in the borough of Butler, and in 1891, purchased a part of



J. D. A. Kennedy

the Heiner property, upon which he erected his present residence. Mr. Bonner was married in 1866, to Catherine Riddle, a daughter of John P. Riddle, of Clinton township, Venango county, to which union have been born the following children: John R.; Ada C.; Tilton A.; Linnie L.; Charles P.; Florence J., and Floyd A., twins, and Edna K. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat, and is a member of the school board.

Horace Z. Wing was born in Stillwater, New York, May 28, 1845, son of Charles H. and Fannie (Keech) Wing. His father was a son of Isaac and Permelia Wing, and was born in Saratoga county, New York, in 1815. He was an inventor and a manufacturer of stoves, plows and machinery. In 1839 he married Fannie, a daughter of Rev. Israel Keech, of Clifton Park, New York, and died in 1850. His wife died in 1867. They were the parents of four children, viz.: Elon G.; Laura O.; Horace Z., and Lottie A. The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools, and afterwards clerked in a general store until the war commenced. He then enlisted in Company H, Second New York Infantry, and went to Washington, D. C., where he was rejected because of his youth. Returning to his home, he afterwards enlisted in Company H, Fifteenth New York Infantry, and participated in all the battles of his regiment. He was mustered out at Raleigh, North Carolina, in June, 1865. He then went to Hoosic Falls, and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1869 he located at Titusville, and engaged in the oil business, and in 1872 came to Parker City, Armstrong county, in the employ of the Union Pipe Line Company. From there he removed to Karns City, Butler county, where he was employed by the same company, which consolidated with the United Pipe Line Company in 1877–78. In 1883 he settled at Millerstown, and in 1890 removed to Butler, where he now resides. In July, 1892, Mr. Wing accepted the superintendency of the Producers and Refiners Oil Company, Limited, which position he now holds. On May 13, 1871, he was united in marriage with Caroline Wickes, a daughter of Owen Wickes, of Delaware county, New York, and has two children, Fannie and Millie. Mr. Wing is a Republican, is a member of McDermott Post, Number 223, G. A. R., of Millerstown, and Butler Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L. He is also connected with the Union Ex-Prisoners of War Association, of Allegheny county.

J. B. Black, oil operator, is the eighth son of James and Nancy A. (Russell) Black, and was born on the homestead in Marion township, Butler county, July 6, 1847. He attended the schools of his native township until the age of fourteen and then went to Clarion county, where he learned the tanner's trade with John Reynolds. In 1863 he enlisted in Company D, Fifty-seventh Pennsylvania Militia, and served six weeks. He subsequently entered the employ of James Callery, a tanner of Pittsburg, with whom he was employed until February 25, 1864, when he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Sixteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, being discharged July 14, 1865. Mr. Black participated in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, North Anna, Cold Harbor and Petersburg. Returning to Franklin in 1865, he soon after located at Pithole, Venango county, and engaged in the oil business, since which time he has followed oil producing and contracting in

the oil fields of Pennsylvania and New York. He married Emma, daughter of Rev. Edmund Burke, November 19, 1884, and has three children: Kate; Maude, and James E. He was chairman of the borough council in 1891–92, when the streets and sewer improvements were made. He is P. M. of Butler Lodge, Number 272, F. & A. M., is a member of Butler Chapter Number 273, Tancred Commandery, Number 48, and Consistory of Pittsburg, and is connected with A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., the I. O. O. F., K. of P., and B. P. O. E. He takes an active interest in political and public affairs, and is a stanch adherent of the Republican party.

John Younkins, son of William and Sarah Younkins, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1848, received a common school education, and was reared upon a farm. In July, 1869, he went into the oil business at Parker's Landing, afterwards at Shamburgh, Venango county, and then at Mount Hope, Clarion county. In 1871 he came to Petrolia, Butler county, and subsequently operated in the Bradford and Warren fields, whence he returned to Butler in September, 1884, since which time he has followed oil producing in this county. On December 27, 1877, he married Naomi C., a daughter of Robert Campbell, of Parker township, Butler county, and has a family of four children, viz.: Edith M.; Myrtle F.; Earl L., and Vera G. Mr. Younkins is an adherent of the Democratic party, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. In February, 1894, he was elected tax collector of the borough of Butler, which office he is now filling. He is a member of Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and is a charter member of McNair Lodge, A. O. U. W.

Daniel Younkins, oil operator, was born near Slate Lick, Armstrong county, June 27, 1854, son of William and Sarah Younkins, natives of Westmoreland county. After arriving at maturity, he came to Butler county, and in the fall of 1876 he engaged in the oil industry at Fairview, whence he went to the Bradford field, thence to McKean, Forest and Warren counties, successively. In 1884 he returned to this county and settled in the borough of Butler, which has since been his home. On September 10, 1884, he married Eva E. Minteer, a daughter of Joseph Minteer, of Craigsville, Armstrong county, and has five children, viz.: Josie S.; Mabel V.; William M.; Victor D., and Florence E. In 1889 he erected his present residence on Brady street, and is also the owner of a brick block on South Main street, besides a farm of eighty acres in Armstrong county. Mr. Younkins is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and a liberal contributor towards that society. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the borough council. He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and also with the W. of W.

Amos Steelsmith, oil operator, was born near Edenburg, Clarion county, Pennsylvania, September 15, 1851, son of Michael Steelsmith, a native of the same place, born March 10, 1812. In 1843 Michael Steelsmith married Mary E. Levy, a daughter of Christopher Levy, of Union county, who bore him the following children: Mary A.; Nancy; Jane E; John H.; Alice; Permilla O.; Amos, and Vine P. In 1858 the family removed to Mercer county, where the mother died, January 19, 1889. Her husband survived her nearly six years, dying July 7, 1894, at the home of his daughter Mary, in New Lebanon, Mercer county.

They were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, adherents of the Republican party. Amos was about seven years old when his parents removed to Mercer county. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and attended the common schools of his district. In 1874 he engaged in the oil business at Edenburg, subsequently at Sandy Point, Butler county, and later at Clarendon, Warren county. In May, 1886, he went to the Findley, Ohio, oil field, where he remained until coming to Butler county, in January, 1890. He commenced operations in the Glade Run field, where he is still interested, and is also operating successfully in the Cooperstown field. In 1893 he established the Butler Lubricating Oil Company, the business office being at 119 West Jefferson street, Butler. Mr. Steelsmith was married August 15, 1873, to Elizabeth Davidson, a daughter of Thomas Davidson, of Emlenton, Venango county. One daughter, Sadie, wife of Prof. William F. Braun, of Pittsburg, was born to this union. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Steelsmith is a Prohibitionist. He is a charter member of the Producers Protective Association of Butler, and is extensively engaged in the refining business.

Blair Hooks was born in Washington township, Armstrong county, July 3, 1850, son of William and Penina Hooks, of Cambridge county, Ohio. He was reared in his native county, and afterwards went to Venango county, where he worked in the oil fields. In 1867 he located at Parker, spent six years at that point, and then removed to the Millerstown field. In 1884 he began operations at Martinsburg, where he remained seven years. Coming to Butler in 1890, he embarked in the natural gas business, later assisted in organizing the Peoples' Gas Company, of Butler, of which he was chosen the first president, and is still actively engaged in the same business. Mr. Hooks was married August 14, 1875, to Sarah E. Phillips, a daughter of George Phillips, of Brady's Bend. Three children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Harry G.; Elsie M., and Grace.

John F. Anderson was born at Mt. Chestnut, Butler county, February 14, 1852, and is a son of James D. and Mary A. Anderson. He was educated at the public schools, and Witherspoon Institute, subsequently taught school and then went west, where he remained for three years. Returning to Butler county, he embarked in merchandising at Renfrew, in partnership with his brother, under the firm name of Anderson Brothers. He sold out his business and came to Butler, where he engaged in oil producing, but is now book-keeper for the Natural Gas Company. Mr. Anderson was married June 25, 1883, to Miss Iona M. Heap, and has two children: Frank C., and James G. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Butler, is a ruling elder in that body, and is president of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church.

Elzie H. Anderson, son of James D. and Mary A. (Martin) Anderson, was born in Prospect, Butler county, July 22, 1854. He obtained a common school education and then took a course at Witherspoon Institute, after which he taught for two years. He afterwards entered the register and recorder's office as assistant to his father, who was elected to that position in November, 1875, remained until the election of H. H. Gallagher, and served with him during his term of office. In 1882 he went to Denver, Colorado, but returned to Butler county in May, 1883, and embarked in merchandising with his brother John F., at Ren-

frew. In October, 1886, he sold his interest in the store, and removed to Butler, and engaged in the grocery business. He erected a new store building, which he sold to Kirkpatrick & Reed, in 1890, and then purchased his present home on the corner of Clay and Bluff streets. In 1892 he bought the undertaking establishment of Jacob Keck, which he carried on some two years. In 1893 he became manager for the Butler Lubricating Oil Company, and has since filled that position. Mr. Anderson was married on February 18, 1875, to Agnes Harper, a daughter of R. M. Harper, now a resident of Butler, and has three children, viz :. Eugene E.; Madge B., and Helen A. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been a trustee in that organization since 1886. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and also of the Y. M. C. A.

Morgan Davis, oil operator, was born at Queenstown, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1855, son of William J., and Susannah (Voyle) Davis, who were the parents of sixteen children, eleven sons and two daughters, thirteen of whom are living. Morgan received a common school education, and after arriving at manhood he engaged in the oil business near his home, as a driller. He afterward became a contractor and operator, which he has continued down to the present. He is now interested in the Butler oil field, also in the Sisterville field, where he has been quite successful. Mr. Davis has always been an ardent sportsman, an admirer of a good dog and a good horse, and among his dogs may be found sons of the champion, Breeze Gladstone, and other leading hunters. On April 18, 1893, Mr. Davis married Margaret Oesterling, a daughter of Leonard Oesterling, of Summit township, Butler county. He is one of the well known residents of the borough, and a gentleman of enterprise and public spirit. In politics, he is an ardent Republican, and is a prominent member of the Masonic order.

Philip V. Davis, son of William J. and Susannah Davis, of Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, was born at Brady's Bend, July 26, 1853. He obtained a common school education, and when twenty-one years of age he commenced the business of tool dressing, at Criswell City, and within two years began operating. Since that time he has been contracting and oil producing, with the exception of two years, during which he traveled through the gold and silver producing states, and the Califorina oil region, with Emmett Queen, now of Queen & Guffey, of Pittsburg. Mr. Davis is now operating in the Cooperstown, Hickey, Gould and Herman fields. In politics, he is an unswerving Republican, and is an active party worker. He is a member of the Masonic order, and is connected with the Lodge, Chapter and Consistory, and is also a member of Butler Lodge, Number 170, B. P. O. E.

John Nevin Johnston, son of John and Elizabeth (Crawford) Johnston, was born in Pine township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, May 3, 1856. He obtained a common school education and took a commercial course at Duff's Commercial College, Pittsburg, graduating in 1878. He then carried on a general store at Grove City until 1879, when he engaged in the oil business on the Grant farm, in Butler county. He had previously been in the same business in Hovey township, Armstrong county. In 1882 he located in Butler, and has since continued in the

oil business. His first operations were in the Bald Ridge field, and he subsequently operated in the Thorn Creek, Glade Run, Mars, Petersville and Adams township fields. He afterwards operated in Washington county, but returned to Butler county in 1893, where he has continued operating in the Brownsdale and Cooperstown districts. Mr. Johnston was married May 11, 1892, to Lulu V. Fritz, a daughter of Frank R. Fritz, of St. Petersburg, Clarion county, and has one daughter, Helen R. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and is a charter member of the Producers Protective Association.

John Ferguson was born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, in 1822, was educated at a subscription school and learned the stone mason's trade. In 1851 he came to Butler county and the following year married Julia Graham, a daughter of Capt. Alexander Graham, of Forward township, soon after moved to Armstrong county, and, in 1853, returned to this county and located at Petersville. He subsequently removed to Prospect, where he died October 2, 1867. He was the father of five children, as follows: Rolandus H.; Margaret A., wife of S. C. Bell of Millerstown; Sarah A., wife of A. K. Gillespie of Bradford; Alexander L., and Eliza J. His widow survived him several years, dying February 25, 1887. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and died in that faith.

Rolandus H. Ferguson was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, April 10, 1853, eldest son of John and Julia Ferguson. He learned the painter's trade, and worked at it until 1872, in which year he embarked in the oil business at Greece City. Since that time he has followed drilling and oil producing at Greece City, and St. Joe, also in Bradford and Warren counties, and at Evans City, Butler county. In 1887 he located at Butler where he has since resided. Mr. Ferguson had charge of the Bovaird & Seyfang Company's business, in Butler, until February, 1894, since which time he has been in the machinery and oil well supply business. He is a stanch Republican, is a member of the Masonic order, and is a trustee of Butler Lodge, B. P. O. E.

Jefferson C. Carner was born in Rockland township, Venango county, January 1, 1859, son of John Carner, and grandson of John Carner. His father was born at Bellefont, Centre county, March 22, 1817, removed to Venango county with his parents in 1827, and settled in Rockland township, where his father purchased a farm. He married Sarah A. Turk, of that township, in 1847, and became the father of seven children, as follows: Elizabeth, deceased wife of Benjamin F. Donaldson; Eva, deceased wife of Frederick Fry; Albert; Sarah, deceased; Jefferson C.; Gilbert C., and Martha J. John Carner is still a resident of Rockland township. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm and went to work in the oil country as a pumper. He followed the oil industry until 1880, and then engaged in the torpedo business, removing to Butler in 1884, where he continued the same. In 1886 he went to Allegany county, New York, where he followed drilling and afterwards put down two wells in Venango county for himself. He finally located in Butler permanently, becoming a member of the torpedo firm of C. H. Ford & Company. In 1889 he sold his interest to O. M. Russell, and has since devoted his attention to oil pro-

ducing. Mr. Carner was married November 29, 1888, to Ella A. Stevenson, a daughter of Nathaniel and Martha Stevenson, of Centre township, Butler county. Three children have been born to this union, viz.: Georgia A., and Glennie S., both deceased, and Hellen I. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican. He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, Number 1039, and Clement Encampment, Number 238, I. O. O. F., also with Tent, Number 34, K. O. T. M.

Lawson E. Brackney was born on the homestead in Clay township, Butler county, January 10, 1851, was reared upon the farm, and attended the common schools of his district. He went to Parker's Landing in 1870, and became a tool dresser and driller, and in 1880 began operating in the Washington township field. He afterwards operated several years in the Bradford field, coming to the borough of Butler in 1885, since which time he has been engaged in oil producing in the Glade Run field. Mr. Brackney was married to Elizabeth Hunt, a daughter of Samuel Hunt, of Clay township, October 26, 1872, and has four children, viz.: Orvill J.; Harry; Ralph, and Ruth. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He is connected with Ziegler Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Uniform Rank, K. of P.

Elmer E. Kelly son of Thomas W. and Rosanna Kelly, was born upon the homestead farm in Parker township, Butler county, October 3, 1861, obtained a common school education, and when fifteen years of age commenced working at the oil business, at which he has since continued. In 1878 he went to Colorado and Arizona, whence he returned to Butler county and located at Petrolia, where he was connected with a pipe line company four years. In 1886 he located at Butler, and became superintendent of the W. and A. Pipe Line. Upon the organization of the Citizens Gas Company, he became superintendent, which position he still occupies. On November 3, 1891, he married Dorette Wisener, a daughter of Philip Wisener, of Butler. Mr. Kelly is one of the active workers in the Republican party, and is a member of Millerstown Lodge, K. of P., Petrolia Lodge, R. A., and Butler Lodge B. P. O. E.

Thomas J. McBride, son of Francis McBride, was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, in 1832, and was reared and educated in his native county. In 1862 he enlisted in Captain Frampton's company, Fifty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Mercer, and served with his regiment until the close of the war. In 1865 he embarked in the oil business, and continued to follow it until his death. In 1854 he married Ellen Bailey, of Mercer county, to which union were born seven children, as follows: Laura, who married J. S. Cooper; Sarah, who married Dennis O'Connor; William C.; Mary; Frank, deceased; Paul J., and Jerry, deceased. Mr. McBride was a member of the Catholic church, and in politics, a Democrat. He died in Butler, October 1, 1888.

Paul J. McBride was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1867, received a common school education, and when quite a youth commenced working at the oil business. In 1876 he went to Parker, and three years later located at Bradford, where he remained until the Thorn Creek excitement, and then came to Butler. He continued operating in the Butler field until 1892, since

which year he has been engaged in West Virginia. Mr. McBride is a stanch Democrat, and in religion, is a member of the Catholic church.

Mark Hargen Brooks was born in Groton, Tompkins county, New York, son of Mark H. and Betsey (Wood) Brooks, of that town. His parents were natives of New York, his mother being a daughter of David Wood, a deacon in the Presbyterian church, to which denomination both she and husband belonged. The subject of this sketch was the youngest in a family of nine children, eight of whom are living, was reared in his native place, and received his education at Groton Academy. His eldest brother, Samuel, having studied law with John W. Ryon, of Lawrenceville, Tioga county, Pennsylvania, located there in practice, and Mark H., while on a visit to Lawrenceville, engaged in teaching school in Tioga county, where he followed that vocation for three terms. He afterwards engaged in clerking in a hotel in connection with the insurance business, which he has since followed in western Pennsylvania. In 1890 he came to Butler as a clerk in the Willard Hotel, and has since been connected with the Willard and Lowry. At the present time he has charge of the business of George Palm, of Butler, a patentee of and dealer in oil well supplies. Mr. Brooks is an unswerving Democrat, and during his fifteen years residence in Mercer county he became a popular member of that party, and was nominated for clerk of the courts in 1890. Although the county had a Republican majority of 1,400, he was defeated by less than 400 votes.

CHAPTER LXXI.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Butler, Summit, Clearfield, Winfield and Buffalo Townships—Jefferson Township and Saxonburg Borough—Clinton, Penn and Middlesex Townships.

Thomas McKee, a soldier of the Revolution, was the progenitor of the McKee family of Butler township. He was born in Ireland, in 1749, a son of David McKee, and came to Pennsylvania with his brother John in 1767. They settled in the Cumberland valley, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and on the breaking out of the Revolution, Thomas enlisted in Captain Cluggage's Company, First Regiment of the Pennsylvania Line, and was in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. At the close of the war he settled in the Tuscarora valley, Mifflin county, whence he removed to Ligonier, Westmoreland county, in 1794. In 1796 he came to Butler county, whither his son James had preceded him, and settled on a tract of land three miles west of the site of Butler, the farm now occupied by William Barnhart. His wife was Martha Hoge, and they

reared a family of seven sons and two daughters, as follows: James, who served as sheriff of Butler county, and also in the legislature, and died in 1832; Hugh, who died in Butler, in 1835; Robert (1), who died in infancy; David, who joined the Mormons, and died at Nauvoo, Illinois; John, who died on the Mississippi; Thomas, who moved to Kentucky, and was mortally wounded while making an arrest as a police officer; Robert, who died on Red river, Arkansas, in 1847; Letitia, who married John Dunbar, and moved to Indiana, and Jane, who married James McKee, of Butler county. The father died in June, 1815, and was buried in the old cemetery at Butler.

James McKee was born in 1780, and was the eldest child of Thomas McKee. He came to Butler county in 1795, one year before his father, and purchased a tract adjoining that of his father, in Butler township. He married Mary McKee, a daughter of John and Mary (Hoge) McKee, of the Tuscarora valley, who became the mother of seven children, as follows: John, who served one term as sheriff of Butler county, and died in 1864; Robert, who resided upon the old homestead until 1888, then removed to Butler, and died December 18, 1890; Martha, who died in youth; Thomas, who died at the age of twenty-one; Mary A., who resided in Butler down to her death, July 2, 1890; James, who was drowned in the Ohio river in 1852, while en route to California, and Hugh, a surveyor of Butler county, and afterwards appointed surveyor of Kansas, by President Buchanan, died April 30, 1886. James and his brother Hugh, served in the War of 1812, and both did the duty required of them in common with the other soldiers of the county. The former served as sheriff of the county, also one term in the legislature, and died on October 1, 1832. His wife survived him more than thirty years, and died in 1874, aged eighty-seven.

John McQuistion was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in 1767, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, came to the United States in 1793, and lived in Philadelphia for three years. In May, 1796, he removed to Butler county, and purchased 500 acres of land in Butler township, from Robert Morris, the celebrated financier of the Revolution. He erected the old stone house now in possession of the Doerr heirs. He subsequently bought an adjoining 500 acre tract, which is partially embraced in the Boyd addition to the borough of Butler, better known as Springdale, and a portion of it occupied by the Standard Plate Glass Works. He cleared and improved 300 acres of this tract, built and operated a tannery, and resided here until his death, which occurred May 18, 1841. He married Barbara Arters, a native of Ireland, who died on March 5, 1837. They were the parents of the following children: Joseph; Jane, who married Dr. H. C. DeWolf; William; Mary, who married James Borland; John; Margaret, who married James C. Smith; Nancy, who married William L. Bartley; James; Sarah, who married David H. Potts; Barbara, who married Andrew E. Marshall; Elizabeth, who married John L. Bartley, and Thomas. Margaret is still living at the age of ninety-three years. Mr. McQuistion was one of the earliest settlers of this locality, and one of the founders of the United Presbyterian church of Butler. He donated the land for the erection of a church, and was a liberal supporter of that denomination. In politics, he was a stanch Democrat, and one of the influential men of his day in local affairs.

James McQuistion, son of John and Barbara McQuistion, was born upon the homestead farm in Butler township, in 1806, and there grew to maturity. He afterwards settled on 200 acres of his father's land, where his son Robert H., now lives, and died upon this property in 1851. He married Mary Hindman, a daughter of John Hindman, of Washington township, who became the mother of eight children, viz.: John K., deceased; Jane, wife of Thomas White; Barbara, deceased wife of George McCandless; Margaret, wife of Joseph B. Mechling; Robert H.; Mary E., widow of John Balph; Sarah B., and Agnes, wife of Samuel Graham. Mrs. McQuistion died in January, 1880. Both she and husband were members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

Robert H. McQuistion, son of James and Mary McQuistion, was born on the homestead farm in Butler township, May 6, 1843, and has always resided thereon. In 1864 he enlisted in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He then resumed his duties upon the farm, and has continued the same up to the present. Politically, Mr. McQuistion is a Republican, and is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church. He is a member of the G. A. R., and also of the I. O. O. F.

John Burkhart was of German descent, and came to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, with his parents, about the year 1775. When a boy of ten years of age, he was captured by the Indians near Girty's run, was a prisoner for ten months, and obtained his freedom July 4, 1776, by running the gauntlet. He received a tomahawk wound on that occasion, the scar from which he carried to his grave, and for which he received a pension from the State. He subsequently settled on a large tract of land about three miles from the site of Butler, and was one of the well known hunters of pioneer days. He understood the tanning business and had a tanyard on his farm. Mr. Burkhart married Margaret Powell, and was the the father of twelve children, seven of whom grew to maturity. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and died in his ninetieth year, in April, 1855. His wife survived him ten months. Their second son, David, was born in 1801, lived on the old homested down to his death and then left it to his son John. The latter died November 16, 1893, and left the homestead to his sisters and a sister's children.

Elijah Burkhart, third son of John Burkhart, was born upon the old homestead in Butler township, January 12, 1803, grew to manhood on the farm, and learned the carpenter's trade with George Wolfe. He assisted in building some of the first frame houses in Butler. He married Rebecca, daughter of Joseph Richardson, whose ancestors came to this country with Penn. She was of Quaker origin. Her father was a teacher nearly all his life, and removed to Indiana, where he died in 1870, at the age of eighty-two years. After his marriage, Elijah Burkhart settled about a half mile from his father's home, on a part of the same farm. After living on this farm for twenty years, the Gilmores took out a patent for it and he was compelled to purchase it from them. He was the father of eight children: Maria, who married John Emerick; Hiram F., who died in infancy; Joseph E., who resides in Kansas; Rebecca M., and Washington F., both of whom died in childhood; Katharine S., wife of Joseph Cris-

well, clerk of the courts of Butler county; Baxter C., a member of Company K, Ninth Pennsylvania Reserve, who died at Camp Pierpont, Virginia, February 19, 1862, and Jacob J., who died in infancy.

William Karns (originally spelled, Kearns) was a native of Ireland, who first settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, whence he came to Butler county, in 1795–96. He entered between 800 and 1,000 acres of land in what is now Butler and Summit townships, a portion of the borough of Butler, being now upon a part of this tract. He cleared up two farms, one of 180 acres situated where the Connequenessing bridge crosses that stream on Center avenue, which he gave to his son William, and another of seventy-two acres, which he gave to his son James, and now in possession of his grandsons. Mr. Karns was one of the leading farmers in that part of the county, and carried on a sort af private banking business among the early settlers. Through going security he suffered much loss, and lost a large part of his real estate. He was a prominent member of the United Presbyterian church, and an elder, in that body for many years. He gave liberally of his means towards the erection of the old United Presbyterian church building of Butler. Mr. Karns married Annie Gold, and was the father of the following children; William; James; Patton; Jane, who married Joseph Gold; Sarah, who married James Sweeney of Clarion county; Mary, and Margaret, who became the wife of George Crosier. Mr. Karns died in 1830; his widow survived him several years.

James Karns, second son of William Karns, was born on the homestead in Butler township, March 17, 1816, and after reaching his majority he located on the farm which he received from his father. He learned the cabinet makers's trade, but did not follow that occupation very long. He removed to the borough of Butler, but continued to carry on his farm. He was appointed by the court to assist the sheriff of Butler county, in which capacity he served for seventeen years, and for nearly half a century he was one of the well known auctioneers of the county. In 1855 he was elected county treasurer, and in 1840 he was commissioned a colonel in the State Militia. Mr. Karns married Abigail, daughter of Samuel R. Richards, one of the contractors who built the Pennsylvania canal. Their family consisted of the following children: James R.; Emma, wife of Albert Roessing; Mary, wife of Frank Wheaton; Ada, who married Newton Miller, and after his death John Kellerman; William B.; John I.; Eleanor, wife of George R. Eaton, and Theodore C. Mr. Karns died November 19, 1892. His widow resides upon the old homestead.

James R. Karns, eldest son of James Karns, was born in the borough of Butler, September 23, 1848, and received a public school and seminary education. After arriving at manhood he removed to Kansas, where he was deputy United States marshal in that State for four years. He was also deputy sheriff of Eldorado county, Kansas, two years, and city marshal of Eldorado City for one year. In March, 1874, he returned to Butler, and was appointed the first county detective of Butler county, in which position he served fourteen months. Since returning to Butler he has followed the business of auctioneer, in connection with the cultivation of his farm. Politically, he is a Republican. Mr. Karns

married Mary A. McCormick, and they are the parents of five children, as follows: Blanche; Myrtle; Paul; Raymond, and James.

Samuel Kelly was born in Down county, Ireland, December 25, 1800, and emigrated to the United States at the age of eighteen years. He found employment with James George, of Mercer township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania; was later employed in the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, obtaining a few small contracts, but subsequently became one of the prominent contractors after the completion of the Erie section, and took several large contracts on the Johnstown and Blairsville branch of the canal, but eventually met with heavy financial losses. He then retired to a large tract of land he had previously purchased in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, cleared up a farm and lived upon it forty years. In 1865 he purchased 160 acres in Butler township, where he continued to reside until his death, April 1, 1881. Mr. Kelly was married in 1831, to Elizabeth, daughter of Richard McKee, a native of Antrim county, Ireland, who settled in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1831. Her death occurred March 21, 1881, just ten days before her husband passed away. To this marriage were born eleven children: David, of Armstrong county; Jane, wife of F. M. Shira; Samuel, a resident of New Castle, Pennsylvania; John C.; Elizabeth, wife of I. J. McCandless, of Butler; Agnes, deceased wife of Perry Stewart; William, and Margaret, both residing in Ohio, and three who died in infancy. Mr. Kelly was a Democrat in politics, and filled the office of justice of the peace and other minor positions in his township. While a resident of Slippery Rock, he was a member of Harmony church, Harrisville, and in later days was connected with Shiloh United Presbyterian church of Jefferson township.

John C. Kelly, third son of Samuel and Elizabeth Kelly, was born upon the homestead farm in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, February 13, 1840, and received a common school education. He learned the carpenter's and millwright's trades, which he followed until 1865, and the next two years he was engaged in tilling his father-in-law's farm in Cranberry township. In 1867 he purchased a farm in Adams township, but after his father's death he removed to Butler township, and purchased 100 acres of the homestead place, upon which he still resides. He also owns a farm of ninety acres in Forward township, and one of seventy acres in Adams township. In 1884 Mr. Kelly was elected county commissioner, and was re-elected in 1887. He was again one of the Democratic candidates in 1893, but was defeated. He is now serving his second term as justice of the peace for Butler township. Since arriving at manhood he has been an unswerving adherent of the Democratic party, and as firm as a rock in his support of its measures and principles. He was a member of the county committee for many years, and has given liberally of his means towards the success of that party. He has been a member of the United Presbyterian church since 1865. Mr. Kelly was married in 1865, to Nancy C., daughter of the late Capt. Alexander Gillispie, of Cranberry township, and has six children: Olive J., wife of George McCormick; Alexander G.; Minerva, wife of Clinton D. Bole, of Butler; Mary I.; Nannie G. R., and Clarence H. Of these, three are teachers: Alexander G., Mary I., and Nannie G. R.

JOSEPH B. MECHLING, youngest son of Jacob and Jane (Thompson) Mechling, was born in the borough of Butler, February 28, 1838, was educated in the public school, and at Butler Academy, read law with L. Z. Mitchell, was admitted to the bar in 1863, and practiced his profession for a number of years. In April, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served three months. He then re-enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth regiment, was elected first lieutenant, and served in that command two years. Mr. Mechling was for many years identified with the public schools of Butler, as a teacher and superintendent of the borough schools, and has always been interested in the advancement of education. Politically, he is a Republican, and though he has never sought public office, he has been deeply interested in the successes of his party. Mr. Mechling resides upon his farm in Butler township, and is recognized as an intelligent, progressive citizen.

GEORGE JACOB SCHAFFNER was born in Wissenburg, Germany, in 1806, son of Nicholas Schaffner. He received a public school education, and in 1831 emigrated to the United States and settled in Butler township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He was engaged in various occupations in and around Butler, and purchased a small tract of land north of the borough, upon which he lived for some years, and later bought forty acres where John Schaffner now resides. He next moved to Slippery Rock township and lived there five years. He afterwards engaged in coal mining upon the same farm, which business he followed until his death. He was married in his native land, to Mary Ann Martin, to which union were born seven children, five of whom grew to maturity: Frances, a sister in the convent of Notre Dame; Samuel; Maria, wife of Frank Koch of Butler; George, of Butler, and John, a resident of Butler township. Mr. Schaffner died in 1877; his wife died the previous year. They were members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he was originally a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

SAMUEL SCHAFFNER, eldest son of Jacob Schaffner, was born in Butler township, Butler county, October 31, 1833. He attended the district school, and throughout his boyhood days assisted his parents on the farm, and afterwards was engaged with his father in operating the coal mine. In 1858 he purchased ten acres of land and opened a new coal mine, which he worked until 1864. In 1862, when Lee threatened to invade Pennsylvania, he went out as fourth sergeant of Company G, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Militia. In 1864 he enlisted in Company D, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served ten months. Returning to his home he went to Oil City, and engaged in the coal business in Cranberry township, Venango county. One year later he came back to Butler township and resumed coal operations here, which he has continued down to the present. He also cultivates a farm of 170 acres, and is interested in oil producing. He was formerly a Republican, but at the formation of the Greenback party he joined that organization, and was its nominee for the legislature in 1871. Since that time he has been independent in politics, and is now a Populist. In 1870 he was elected justice of the peace, filled that office five years, and has also been township auditor. In religious belief, he is a Catholic, and is a member of St. Paul's congregation of Butler. Mr. Schaffner was married June 26, 1858, to

Josephine, a daughter of Anthony and Barbara Hinchberger. She died February 2, 1893, being the mother of the following children: Mary C., deceased; Josie, wife of Joseph Wuller; George A., who married Mary Sullivan, and who has three children, Josie, Maria and Jacob; Jacob; Christopher; Samuel, who married Laura Vinroe; Frank; Norbert, deceased; Edward, and Herbert.

Eberhart Family.—Paul Eberhart, a native of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and a descendant of the Eberharts of Germany, removed to Westmoreland county in 1773. His son Christian, born in Lehigh county, March 9, 1772, married Mary Ann Snyder, and was the progenitor of the Eberhart family of Butler county. Joseph Eberhart, born in Westmoreland county, March 19, 1800, was the third son of Christian Eberhart. At the age of twenty-one he married Catherine Kistler. He was a tailor by trade, and followed his trade until 1835, when he removed to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, subsequently to Millerstown, Butler county, in 1845 to Armstrong county, and in 1854 to Douglass county, Kansas, where he died at the age of eighty-two years. His family consisted of fifteen children, as follows: Nancy Ann, who first married Henry Hemphill, and for her second hasband William Byerly; Obadiah; Priscilla, who married Andrew Barnhart; John; Joseph; Henry S.; Sarah C., who married Thomas Pugh; Samuel; Marie E., who married John Gimlet; Susannah E., who married Calvin Millard; Margaret R., who married Charles Urick; David H.; Noah A.; Naomi M.; Lewis J., and Andrew.

John Eberhart, second son of Joseph Eberhart, was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, August 16, 1827. At the age of seventeen he came with his parents to Millerstown, where he learned the carpenter's trade. In 1857 he purchased a farm of seventy acres in Fairview township, Butler county, which he cleared and improved, and here he resided, engaged in farming, down to his death, August 11, 1885. He married Catherine, daughter of Rudolph Barnhart, of Fairview township, and their family were as follows: Simon J., deceased; Andrew O.; Susannah, and Henry C. F., both of whom are dead; Lewis D. A., who resides near Millerstown; Jonathan, who resides on the old homestead; Sarah P., and Permelia, both of whom are dead. Mr. Eberhart was a prominent member of the Reformed church, in which he filled the offices of deacon and elder. Some good oil wells were drilled upon his farm, which placed him in very comfortable circumstances. His widow is living upon the old homestead.

Andrew O. Eberhart, second son of John and Catherine Eberhart, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, December 26, 1851, and was educated in the district school. He remained with his parents until his majority, and then purchased a small piece of land in Fairview township, which proved to be oil producing. He afterwards sold this, and purchased the Yetter farm of 170 acres in Butler township, and later the William Bryson farm of 100 acres. He rebuilt the Bryson residence, where he has since resided, engaged in farming and oil producing. Mr. Eberhart was married March 11, 1873, to Mary E., daughter of Philip Barnhart, of Millerstown, to whom have been born the following children: John C., and Joseph, both deceased; Tessa T.; Jeremiah; Henry H., and Etta E. Politically, he is a Republican, is now serving his fourth consecutive term as constable, and is one of the school directors of his township. He takes an active interest

in the progress of the public schools, and has been a director of St. Paul's Orphan Home for fifteen years. In 1894 he was a candidate for jury commissioner, and with eight candidates in the field he was second highest on the ticket, coming within a few votes of election. For the past seventeen years he has been an elder in the Reformed church, and donated the land upon which was erected St. John's Reformed church and parsonage, to which purpose he gave liberally of his means. He is active in public and political matters, and is a member of the R. A., P. of H., the Jr. O. U. A. M., and Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Peter Bauer was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, in 1803, and emigrated with his wife and three children to Maryland, settling close to the Pennsylvania line. In 1846 he came to Jefferson township, Butler county, purchased a farm, and resided thereon down to his death, in 1867. His wife's maiden name was Anna Margaret Deer, and their children are as follows: Catherine, who married Charles Krumpe; William; Conrad; Henry; George; Benjamin; Philip, and Elizabeth, who became the wife of William Leithold. Mrs. Bauer died in 1888. Both she and husband were members of St. Mark's Lutheran church of Butler, in which organization he filled the office of deacon. Politically, he was a Democrat.

George Bauer was born in Maryland, in 1838, and is the fourth son of Peter and Anna Margaret Bauer. He came to Jefferson township, Butler county, with his parents, was reared on the homestead farm, and received his education in the public schools. He learned the machinist's trade, and engaged in the manufacture of agricultural implements at Butler, under the firm name of Bauer Brothers, which the firm carried on for fifteen years. In 1872 he sold his interest and purchased his present homestead of seventy-six acres in Butler township, upon which he has since lived. Mr. Bauer was married in 1863, to Catherine, daughter of Michael Smith. She died June 20, 1893. They are the parents of eight children: Margaret, wife of Howard McCandless; Charles; Edward; Gussie; Maud, wife of Samuel McKnight; William; Barbara, and Leonard. In 1862 Mr. Bauer enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. He was in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, and was slightly wounded in the latter engagement.

William Barnhart, son of Jacob Barnhart who settled in Butler county in 1796, was born on the original homestead in Donegal township, and grew to manhood under the parental roof. He married Mary A. Daubenspeck, by which union they were the parents of the following children: Solomon; Ann, wife of Frank Hays; David George, deceased; Gabriel; Andrew W., and Kamerer, deceased. Mr. Barnhart died about 1845. His widow was twice married afterwards, and died in Armstrong county. Her second husband was Andrew May and her third David Barnhart. The subject of this sketch was a farmer all his life, and resided at his death in Fairview township, where all of his children were born.

Andrew W. Barnhart was born on the homestead in Fairview township, Butler county, March 28, 1839, and is a son of William and Mary A. Barnhart. The early death of his father prevented Andrew W. from receiving the

advantages the common schools afforded, and he grew to manhood among strangers. After reaching his majority, he purchased a farm in Concord township, Butler county, upon which he resided until the second year of the war. On May 13, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and at the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, he received two gun-shot wounds in the right leg and one in the left, and was transferred from the field hospital to Lincoln Hospital, Washington, D. C. He was discharged from the service June 11, 1863, and returned to his farm. One year afterwards he went to the Venango county oil fields, where he worked until 1865. He then removed to Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, where he followed farming until 1886, in which year he purchased his present farm of 130 acres in Butler township, Butler county, upon which he has since resided, engaged in farming and oil producing. Mr. Barnhart married Melinda, daughter of William Murtland, of Fairview township. She died July 1, 1891, the mother of the following children: Clare E., wife of Edward E. Bryer; Minnie A.; Eva A.; Loretta; William L., and Lena T., the last two of whom are dead. Politically, Mr. Barnhart is a Republican, is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., and of St. John's Reformed church, of Butler township.

Casper Hartung was born in Saxe-Wiemer, Prussia, in 1806, and was a weaver. In 1842 he came to the United States, accompanied by his father, Adam, his mother and two brothers, Henry and Conrad, and one sister. Henry and Conrad enlisted at Pittsburg for the Mexican war, and served throughout that struggle. Both purchased farms in Winfield township, Butler county, and at the breaking out of the Rebellion, Henry went into the army, and was killed at the battle of the Wilderness. Conrad removed to Kansas where he now resides. Casper and his father settled in Winfield township, Butler county, where they purchased a small tract of land, and subsequently a farm of 136 acres in the same township, which they cleared and improved. Casper Hartung married Catherine Aubbel, a native of Germany, which union was blessed with seven children, four of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Lizzie, deceased wife of Robert Clark; Katie, wife of Martin Weckerle, of Virginia; John, and Henry, deceased. Mr. Hartung was a Lutheran in religious faith, and a Democrat in politics. Both he and wife resided in Butler county until their death.

John Hartung, only living son of Casper Hartung, was born in Germany, November 6, 1836, and was reared on his father's farm in Winfield township, Butler county. In 1870 he purchased a farm in Jefferson township, where he remained five years, then removed to Ohio, but in 1882 he returned to Butler county and purchased a farm two miles west of Butler, containing eighty acres. Here he lived until 1889, when he purchased a site of four acres near Butler, erected his present residence and retired from active business. Mr. Hartung married Maggie, daughter of Adam Schrump, of Winfield township, and has one daughter, Anna L., wife of Christian Leichner, of St. Joe, Butler county. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. In 1864 he enlisted in Company L, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served in the battles of Fisher's Hill and Winchester. On December 14, 1864, while on scouting duty, his command was attacked by the rebels, and he was struck on the head with a

revolver, taken prisoner and confined in Libby prison three months. He served in the army one year, and was then honorably discharged.

William Nesbit was born at Harmony, Butler county, Pennsylvania, May 28, 1805, and was a son of Thomas Nesbit, a native of Ireland, who settled at Harmony about 1797. William received a limited education in the pioneer subscription schools, learned the blacksmith's trade, and followed that occupation for twenty years. He inherited a farm in Cranberry township, upon which he resided until his death, December 27, 1891. He married Emma Croft, of Cranberry township, to which union were born ten children, as follows: Mary J., deceased wife of David G. Marshall, of Adams township; John, deceased; Lenora; Nancy, deceased; Ida, wife of Milton J. Covert, of Cranberry township; Walter, deceased; Martha, deceased; William R.; Joseph L., who resides on the old homestead, and Nettie A., wife of Charles Fowler, of Allegheny county. Mr. Nesbit and wife were members of the Presbyterian church. The latter died, March 29, 1893.

William R. Nesbit, son of William and Emma Nesbit, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, July 14, 1856, and received a common school education. He has always lived upon a farm, and in November, 1891, he purchased his present homestead in Butler township, from George Haley. Mr. Nesbit was married December 31, 1878, to Laura D. White, daughter of Robert White, now a resident of Butler, but formerly of Evans City. Three children are the fruits of this union: Edith P.; Ethel M., and Dean A. Mr. Nesbit and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

John Renno was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, November 15, 1800, was reared in his native land, and followed the vocation of a coal miner. He immigrated to the United States in 1832, came to Butler the following year, and subsequently settled in Butler township, where he resided until his death, February 19, 1853. His wife survived him until April 21, 1885. Her maiden name was Margaret Emminger, and she was a resident of Donegal township at the time of her marriage to Mr. Renno, in May, 1836. She was a daughter of Michael Emminger, a veteran of the War of 1812. They became the parents of nine children, as follows: Regina, who married Edward Elbel; Mary, deceased wife of Harry Burdette; Rebecca, who married John Brink; Frederick M.; John; Elizabeth, wife of William Parke; Rose C., wife of J. R. Goodrich; Adam, and George J. The parents were members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Renno was a Democrat.

John Young was born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, in 1826, and was reared and educated in his native county. He learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1858 he came to Butler county and settled in Butler township, where he purchased a part of the old Mangel farm. He afterwards purchased the McNair farm of 122 acres, but traded it for 108 acres of the old Borland property, upon which he now resides. In 1850 he married Mary B., daughter of Thomas Burton of Lawrence county, to whom have been born ten children, nine of whom grew to maturity: Thomas B.; William G.; Susan J., wife of A. M. Hauk, of Wampum; Jacob S.; James B.; Martha E., wife of A. B. McCandless, of Butler township; John P.; Samuel W., and Mary H., wife of George Graham,

of Clarion county. Mr. Young and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Capt. Abraham Brinker was one of the pioneer tavern keepers of Butler, where he erected a log building on the site of the *Citizen* office in 1804. He was a native of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, whence he removed to Westmoreland county, and later to Butler. He carried on the Mansion House until 1809, and then sold out to Jacob Mechling, who conducted this well remembered hostelry for many years. After disposing of his tavern, Captain Brinker purchased a tract of land on Bonny Brook, in what is now Summit township, and erected the old stone mill yet standing, about three miles northeast of Butler, at the mouth of Brinker's run, named in his honor. Here he operated a grist mill, a carding mill and a distillery, in connection with a large farm. He was one of the prominent men of pioneer days, and a man of considerable enterprise and public spirit. He commanded a company under Col. John Purviance at Erie in the War of 1812, composed of the hardy sons of Butler county. He served as county commissioner two terms, was also a justice of the peace, and filled several of the local offices during his residence on Bonny Brook. Captain Brinker married Louisa Moser, and their children were as follows: Jacob, a well remembered hotel keeper of Butler; John; Henry; Mrs. Catherine McCandless; Mrs. Susan Henry; Mrs. Polly Henry; Mrs. Eliza Prosser; Mrs. Louisa McGlaughlin; Mrs. Sarah Ziegler, and Mrs. Amy M. Richey, all of whom are dead. Captain Brinker died at his home on Bonny Brook in 1850. His wife survived his death some years, and died in Butler at the home of her son-in-law, Captain Ziegler. Many of their descendants are still residents of the county and among its worthy citizens.

James Mitchell, Sr., was one of the pioneers of Butler county, coming from Ireland with two brothers to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, whence, in 1796, he removed to Butler county and settled in what is now Summit township. He cleared up a farm upon which he resided until his death, in 1844. He married a Miss McGahey and they were the parents of six children: James, Samuel and Alexander, all deceased; John; Jane, who married John Jamison, and Margaret, deceased wife of I. Seaman. Mr. Mitchell was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was one of the leading pioneers of this locality until his death.

Judge James Mitchell, eldest son of James Mitchell, Sr., was born upon the homestead in this county and spent his younger days in teaching school. In 1851 he was elected county commissioner, and subsequently associate judge of Butler county. He took a deep interest in educational matters and filled the office of school director nearly all his life. Politically, he was a stanch Whig, and on the formation of the Republican party he joined that organization and for many years was one of its leading members. In religious faith, he was a Presbyterian, and filled the office of elder for many years. He was twice married, his first wife being Sarah Marks, who died in 1850, leaving five children: Alexander; Harvey J.; Agnes, wife of J. D. Jackson; James B., and Mary, deceased. He married for his second wife Jane S. Hunt, and died in October, 1891. Judge Mitchell was one of the representative citizens of his native county, and throughout his long and useful life was foremost in every worthy cause.

William Lindsey was born in Down county, Ireland, June 24, 1800, a son of Moses and Jane (Meek) Lindsey. He came to Pennsylvania about 1834, and found employment in a planing mill in Allegheny for two years, and later engaged in farming in North Fayette township, Allegheny county, where he resided for twelve years. In 1849 he purchased a farm of 212 acres in Summit township, Butler county, upon which he settled the following year. He subsequently increased his farm to 300 acres, cleared the greater part of it, and erected all of the buildings. His wife was Sarah Alexander, a daughter of Joshua Alexander, of Down county, Ireland, who bore him ten children, viz.: Mary, wife William McCracken; Thomas; Moses; Joseph; William; Susan; Jane; Sarah; Elizabeth, and Margaret. Mr. Lindsey was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and resided in Summit township for thirty-six years. He died November 1, 1885, in the eighty-sixth year of his age.

Thomas Lindsey, eldest son of William and Sarah Lindsey, was born in Down county, Ireland, January 2, 1825, and came with his parents to Allegheny, Pennsylvania, in 1834. He was educated in the common schools, and from 1850 to 1868 was a traveling salesman for the dry goods and notion house of Daniel McConville, of Steubenville, Ohio. Since the latter year he has resided on the old homestead in Summit township, and is one of the prominent and enterprising citizens of the community. He is a member of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church, of Butler, and in politics, is an adherent of the Democratic party.

Michael Emrick, a native of Pennsylvania, of German ancestry, came from Northumberland county to Butler county, with his wife, Elizabeth, four sons and two daughters, in 1813. He located near Saxonburg, where he followed the wheelwright's trade, but in later life engaged in the manufacture of baskets. He died at Butler in 1852. His children were as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Jones; Andrew; Jacob; John; William; Catherine, wife of John Hicks, and Michael.

Andrew Emrick, eldest son of Michael and Elizabeth Emrick, was born in Northumberland county in 1803, and came with his parents to this county when about ten years old. He was one of the founders of Saxonburg, and broke the first ground and erected the first dwelling on the site of that village. He cleared and improved two farms near Saxonburg, and a third in Clearfield township. In 1851 he purchased a farm in Summit township, resided there until 1856, then sold out and removed to Penn township, where he lived until 1885. In that year he removed to Summit, and made his home with his son John until his death, May 15, 1885. His wife was Catherine Burtner, a daughter of John Burtner, a pioneer of Buffalo township. Ten children were born to this union, eight of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Michael; Christina, wife of John E. Gallagher; John; Elizabeth, wife of George W. Fair; Barbara, wife of Franklin Fisher; Andrew B.; Maria, wife of Michael Fair, and Daniel. Mr. Emrick was a man of the highest integrity, and a respected and worthy citizen. He held numerous public offices, the duties of which he performed faithfully and well. He was an adherent of the Republican party, and in religious faith, was a member of the Lutheran church.

JOHN EMRICK, second son of Andrew and Catherine Emrick, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, December 26, 1831. He was reared in his native county, was educated in the common schools, and began his career as a farmer in 1855, working on his father's farm in Penn township, until 1861. In that year he removed to his present homestead in Summit township, upon which he has since erected all of the buildings and improvements, and brought his land to a high state of cultivation. In November, 1855, he married Maria Antoinette Burkhart, a daughter of Elijah and Rebecca (Richardson) Burkhart, and grand daughter of John Burkhart, one of the first settlers of Butler township. Mrs. Emrick's maternal ancestors came to America with Penn. She is the mother of eight children, viz.: Daniel B.; William J.; Asa W.; Rebecca C., wife of Augustus M. Swartz; Albert F.; Barbara A.; Samuel M., and Mary E., wife of Samuel G. Hughes Mr. Emrick was a member of Company F, One Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, from September 19, 1864, to June 20, 1865, when he was honorably discharged from the service, at Whitehall, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He participated in the battles of Gravelly Run, White Oak Roads, and other engagements down to the surrender of Lee. Mr. Emrick is a member of the Jefferson Summit Presbyterian church, and is connected with A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R., of Butler. Politically, he is an ardent Republican.

SIMON P. YOUNG was born in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, February 17, 1823, son of Henry Young, who came to Butler county with his wife and family in 1829, and settled in Butler township. The family consisted of the following children: Polly; Sarah; Elizabeth; Anna; John; Simon P.; Amos; William H.; Catherine C; Rebecca S., and George. The father died in 1842. The subject of this sketch was reared in Butler township and learned the tanner's trade, which he followed in connection with farming. In 1846 he married Eliza J. Barrickman, a daughter of Peter Barrickman, of Butler township. Nine children were born to this union, as follows: Mary P., wife of R. M. Forsythe; Titus S.; Margaret G., and Permilla, both deceased; Henry B.; Elmer E.; William L.; Barton E., and Howard G., deceased. In 1855 Mr. Young purchased his present homestead of 180 acres in Summit township, and has since devoted his attention to farming. His wife died May 3, 1893. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, to which denomination he also belongs. In politics, he has always been a Republican. He is a charter member of Connoquenessing Lodge, I. O. O. F., and during the war was enrolling clerk for Summit township.

WILLIAM BYERS was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1808, and was reared and educated in his native county. In 1837 he was married to Rebecca McCurdy, a daughter of James McCurdy, of Summit township, Butler county, and in 1838 he settled upon a farm in that township, where he resided until his death, in 1877. His wife died in 1854. They were the parents of eight children, as follows: Margaret J., wife of D. M. Roney; Rachel M., wife of Leander Wise; Thomas S., and James M., both of whom died at Florence, South Carolina, while prisoners of war, being members of Company E, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers; Matilda A., wife of W. W. Dinsmore;

William S., deceased; John E., and Rebecca C., deceased. Mr. Byers and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican.

Nicholas Riott, a native of Bavaria, Germany, immigrated to Baltimore, Maryland, in 1825. In 1830 he purchased a farm of 316 acres of land in what is now Summit township, Butler county, cleared and improved it, and died in his eighty-third year. He married Eva Bard, and was the father of three sons, viz.: Francis; Nicholas, and Jacob. They succeeded to the old homestead, which was equally divided between them. Mr. Riott and family were members of the Catholic church, and among the first Germans of that faith who settled in Summit township.

Francis Riott, eldest son of Nicholas and Eva Riott, was born in Bavaria, Germany, April 3, 1814, came to America with his parents in 1825, and five years afterwards located in Summit township, Butler county. At his father's death he succeeded to one-third of the original tract, containing 111 acres, all of which he cleared and improved, and upon which he still resides. He subsequently added to his farm, until it now aggregates 220 acres, the larger portion of which is under a high state of cultivation. In July, 1837, Mr. Riott married Elizabeth Smith, a daughter of John and Eva (Richard) Smith, of Oakland township. To this union have been born ten children, as follows: Nicholas; Jacob; Mary, wife of John Leech; Francis; Margaret; Barbara, wife of John Nulett; George; Catharine, wife of John Weyland; Joseph, and Elizabeth. Mr. Riott and family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church, at Herman, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He has been prominent in both church and public affairs, has held nearly ever office in the township, and has served five terms as justice of the peace. He is one of the substantial and wealthy citizens of the community.

John Oesterling, a native of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, came to Pennsylvania in 1831, and settled in Summit township, Butler county, near Herman station. Five years afterwards he removed to the farm now owned and occupied by his sons, Adam and Peter, on which he made many improvements, residing there down to his death, in March, 1864, in the sixty-seventh year of his age. He was married in his native land to Elizabeth Ripper, who became the mother of fourteen children, eight of whom grew to maturity, viz.: John; Catherine, wife of Adam Schenck; Elizabeth, wife of William Vogeley; Leonard; Ann E., wife of George Frederick; Peter; Adam, and Margaret, wife of Adam Frederick. Mr. Oesterling was a member of the German Lutheran church of Butler.

Leonard Oesterling, son of John and Elizabeth Oesterling, was born in Bremen, Germany, April 18, 1831. His parents immigrated to Butler county the same year, and he was reared to manhood in Summit township. In 1852 he engaged in farming for himself, in Summit township, and the following year removed to Armstrong county, where he found employment in the rolling mills at Brady's Bend, until 1872. In the latter year he returned to Summit township, and located on a farm of 200 acres which he still occupies. Here he has made nearly all the improvements in buildings, etc., and has brought the land to a high state of cultivation. On February 15, 1852, Mr. Oesterling married Margaret Flohr, a native of Germany. She is the mother of twelve children, seven of

whom grew to maturity, viz.: John; Mary, wife of William Kellerman; Leonard; Maggie, wife of Morgan Davis; William, and Lewis. Mr. Oesterling and wife are members of the German Lutheran church, of Butler, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Peter Oesterling, son of John and Elizabeth Oesterling, was born in Summit township, Butler county, October 9, 1835, and was reared on the family homestead, where his parents settled in 1836. He received a limited education in the common schools, and has always followed farming as a vocation. During the Rebellion he was drafted twice. The first time he sent a substitute, but the next time he went into the army as a member of Company B, One Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers. He participated in the battles of Hatcher's Run, and Weldon Railroad, and after nine months' service was honorably discharged, in June, 1865. He was married August 19, 1858, to Catherine Shoup, a daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Ginter) Shoup, of Oakland township, and has ten children, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of John Brown; Kate, wife of James Spencer; Mary, wife of Milton Shaner; Peter; James; Bertha, wife of Thomas Hite; George; Laura; Amelia, and Florence Edith. Mr. Oesterling and family are connected with the German Lutheran church, of Butler. He is a stanch Democrat, and is one of the prominent farmers of his native township.

Matthias Bleichner was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, January 2, 1798, a son of Matthias Bleichner, who lived and died in his native land. In 1831 he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Summit township, Butler county, on the farm now owned by his son Jacob. He cleared and improved this property, and resided upon it down to his death, in 1884, in the eighty-seventh year of his age. He was married in his native land to Catherine Engelman, a native of Alsace-Lorraine, who bore him a family of six children, viz.: Laurence; Nicholas; Dorothea, wife of Nicholas Hinchberger; George; Jacob, and Eva, wife of Laurence Struckens. Mr. Bleichner was a member of the Catholic church, and one of the founders of St. Mary's congregation, at Herman station.

Jacob Bleichner, youngest son of Matthias and Catherine Bleichner, was born on the old homestead in Summit township, February 21, 1836, and received his education in the public schools. He was reared on the farm, and was engaged in mining coal for public work some five years, but farming has been his principal occupation throughout his life. He has owned the old homestead since 1864, and has resided upon it permanently since that time. On September 29, 1857, he married Mary Miller, a daughter of Joseph and Ann (Ritter) Miller, of Summit township. Eleven children have been born to this union, named as follows: Mary, wife of Headley Morris; Clara, wife of George Smith; Joseph; James; John; William; Elizabeth, wife of William Guest; Tillie; Louisa; Andrew, and Annie. Mr. Bleichner and family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church. Politically, he is a Democrat, has held every office in the gift of his township with the exception of justice of the peace, and has been a school director for twenty-one years. He is one of the substantial and progressive citizens of the community.

JACOB EICHENLAUB, a native of Weissenburg, France, immigrated to the United States, with his wife, three sons and two daughters, in 1831, and the following year settled in what is now Summit township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, on lands still owned by his descendants. Here he spent the remaining years of his life. His children were as follows: Francis; William; Michael; Catherine, who married Matthias Heil, and Barbara, who married Joseph Reiman. Mr. Eichenlaub and family were members of the Catholic church, and among the first German settlers of Summit township.

FRANCIS EICHENLAUB, eldest son of Jacob Eichenlaub, was born in France, in 1801, and came with his parents to Butler county. He cleared and improved the farm in Summit township now owned by his son William, who assisted him in the work, and died there in 1877, in the seventy-seventh year of his age. He married Margaret Schanneman, and their children were as follows: William; Barbara, wife of Martin Pfiester; Mary, wife of Joseph Schillinger; Sophia, wife of Gabriel Girard; Matthias, and Agnes, wife of Matthias Hirsch. Mr. Eichenlaub was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, at Herman, and one of the founders of that congregation.

WILLIAM EICHENLAUB, eldest son of Francis and Margaret Eichenlaub, was born in Summit township, Butler county, September 8, 1834, and was reared on the old homestead, which he now owns and resides upon. In early manhood he was engaged in teaming and mining at Brady's Bend and Pittsburg, but has been a permanent resident of Summit township, since 1868. On April 27, 1858, he married Mary A. Schell, a daughter of Bernard and Mary A. (Swick) Schell, of Summit township, and has four surviving children, viz.: Joseph F.; Peter; William J., and Florian H. Mr. Eichenlaub and family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church, at Herman, in which congregation he has served as trustee for several years. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has filled the office of school director for twelve years.

JOHN SPOHN was born in Alsace, France, March 22, 1814, a son of Martin and Margaret (Bleichner) Spohn. He was reared in his native land, received a common school education, and immigrated to the United States in 1830. Some three years later he settled in what is now Summit township, Butler county, upon the farm where he still resides, which he has cleared and improved. He earned most of the money to pay for his land by working on the canal, and has always been one of the most industrious men of his township. Mr. Spohn was twice married, his first wife being Mary Entreiner, who died without issue. His second wife was Eva Hoffman, a daughter of Michael and Louisa (Doll) Hoffman, of Summit township. They are the parents of nine children, who grew to maturity, viz.: Philip; Catherine; Mary, wife of Adam Neinhauser; John; Anna J., wife of Peter Snyder; J. Joseph; Nicholas; Magdalena, wife of Edward Ninlist, and Eva, wife of John Voltz. Mr. Spohn is the oldest German resident of Summit township, and is one of the founders of St. Mary's Catholic church, at Herman station, to which denomination the family belongs. In politics, he is independent, always casting his vote for those whom he regards best fitted for the office.

PETER SCHNUR was born in Prussia, Germany, January 20, 1824, a son of George and Anna (Kupple) Schnur, who came to the United States in 1836, and settled in Louisville, Kentucky. His mother died soon after their arrival, and his father removed to Pittsburg, where for a time he was employed at his trade of stonemason. He also worked in Buffalo, New York, and for twenty years was employed in the Schonenberger rolling mills, at Pittsburg. He died at the age of sixty-six, leaving three children, viz.: Catherine, wife of Nicholas Leech; Peter, and John. The subject of this sketch was reared in Pittsburg, and was educated in the parochial and public schools of that city. He afterwards entered the rolling mills of Mr. Schonenberger, where he was employed for ten years, and later worked on a farm for four years. He was subsequently engaged in gardening near Pittsburg, which business he followed for seventeen years. In 1876 he removed to Summit township, Butler county, and settled upon a farm which he had purchased in 1870. Here he has since resided, devoting his attention to agriculture. Oil has been found on his farm, and two wells are now producing on an average of eight barrels per day. Mr. Schnur married Elizabeth Fry, of Pittsburg, to whom have been born fifteen children. Six sons and one daughter survive, viz.; George W.; Peter J.; Charles F.; Frank J.; David A.; Gertrude M., and Lawrence A. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. Schnur is a Democrat.

JOSEPH HEINZER was born in Canton of Schwytz, Switzerland, October 7, 1825, and is a son of Francis and Mary A. (Wieget) Heinzer. He was reared and educated in his native land, and came to the United States in 1847. He first located in Ohio, removing to Pittsburg the following year, where for the succeeding seven years he was engaged in the dairy business, the last two years for himself. In 1853 he came to Butler county, and settled in Summit township, and in 1868 located on the farm where he now lives. He cleared a good share of the land himself, and has made all of the improvements, in buildings, etc. On November 17, 1851, he married Anna Mary Sailer, a daughter of Andrew and Anna (Kesselmeyer) Sailer, of Bavaria, Germany. Twelve children blessed this union, ten of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Theresa, wife of Stephen Michel; Mary, wife of Peter Leinenbach; Barbara, wife of John Spohn; Joseph; Elizabeth; Anna C.; Magdelena, wife of Peter Green; Frank; Andrew, and Martin. Mr. Heinzer is one of the leading and enterprising farmers of Summit township. He and his family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he is an ardent Democrat.

M. B. DITTMER was born in Bavaria, Germany, May 12, 1856, a son of Benedict and Margaret (Snyder) Dittmer. He was reared and educated in his native country, and there learned the tailor's trade. In 1873 he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and located in Butler county, working at his trade in various towns until 1882. In that year he embarked in merchandising at Herman station, where he has continued to carry on business successfully down to the present. In August, 1881, he married Catherine Bayer, a daughter of Frank and Mary (Schrozenstaler) Bayer, of Armstrong county, and has six children, viz.: Frank; Albert; Ludwig; Katie; Margaret, and Anna Regine. Since 1887 Mr. Dittmer has been passenger and express agent at Herman station, and in June, 1894, he

was appointed postmaster at Herman, and fills his numerous positions with general satisfaction to the public. He and his family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, and has filled the office of township auditor for six years, and overseer of the poor for two years. He is one of the popular and enterprising citizens of the community.

JOHN KRADEL, a native of Prussia, Germany, and a son of George and Barbar (Shaffer) Kradel, immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1830, and found employment in a rolling mill in that city for four years. In 1834 he removed to Harmony, Butler county, where he was engaged in farming until 1843. In the latter year he purchased the farm in Summit township now owned and occupied by his son Adam. He and his sons cleared and improved this property, upon which he died in 1859, at the age of fifty-five years. He married Dora Nicholas, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Nicholas, of Wurtemberg, Germany, who still survives at the age of eighty-four. Eight children were born to this union, as follows: Margaret, deceased wife of Jacob Keck; Anna, wife of Jacob Holstein; John; Adam; Eliza, wife of Charles Welfel; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Adam Frederick; Christina, wife of Adam Frederick, and Barbara, wife of Henry Farner. Mr. Kradel was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran church, of Butler.

ADAM KRADEL, son of John and Dora Kradel, was born at Harmony, Butler county, November 30, 1839, and was reared on the homestead in Summit township, which he assisted his father to clear and improve. Since the homestead came into his possession, he has made nearly all of the present improvements, including the buildings, etc. On May 7, 1863, he married Christina Dambacher, a daughter of Nicholas and Barbara (Hock) Dambacher, of Butler township. Nine children have been born to this union, viz.: Dora, wife of John Miller; Christina, wife or John Schenck; Emma, wife of Lewis Harold; John; Leonard; Anna; Kate; Minnie S., and M. Gertrude. Mr. Kradel and family are members of St. Mark's Lutheran church, of Butler, and in politics, he is independent.

FREDERICK BAUER, SR., a native of Saxony, Germany, immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1837, and settled near Saxonburg, Butler county, where he cleared and improved a farm, erected a grist mill, and resided down to his death, which occurred in 1853. His wife, Christina Myers, bore him a family of nine children who grew to maturity, as follows: Mena, deceased wife of John Knoch; George L.; Augusta, wife of John Knoch; Sophie, wife of Peter Tuscherer; Rose A., wife of Henry Heller; Frederick; August; Charles, and Caroline, wife of Henry Bauman. Mr. Bauer was a member of the German Lutheran church, and in politics, an adherent of the Democratic party.

FREDERICK BAUER, son of Frederick and Christina Bauer, was born in Saxony, Germany, February 18, 1831, and came to Butler county with his parents when about six years of age. He was reared in this county, received a limited education in the public schools, and continued to work upon the homestead until 1863. He lived in Jefferson township until 1867, and then removed to his present farm in Summit township, a good share of which he has cleared and improved. On January 17, 1856, he married Hannah Krumpe, a daughter of Christopher Krumpe, of Jefferson township, and has ten living children, viz.: Charles;

William; Frederick; Albert; Edward; Emma, wife of William Sloan; Caroline, wife of Henry Bachman; Amelia; George, and Andrew. Mr. Bauer and wife are members of the German Lutheran church, of Butler. He is a stanch Democrat, and is recognized as one of the substantial and progressive farmers of the township.

PATRICK MCBRIDE, a native of Donegal county, Ireland, was one of the pioneers of Clearfield township, Butler county, where he settled in 1798. He built his cabin in the midst of an unbroken forest, upon a tract of 400 acres of land which he had purchased, lying a short distance east of the site of Coylesville. For the first few years his most numerous neighbors were the wild animals that roamed at will, and the first year he lived on the product of a small patch of corn and the game killed with his trusty rifle. For making the settlement he received 100 acres of the tract from Archie McCall, the agent for the lands in that section. Mr. McBride was married in Ireland to Mary Dugan, who came with him to his new home in the wilderness. They were the parents of the following children: Nancy, who married Michael McGinley; Bridget, who married William Spencer; Cornelius; Enos, who died while serving in the Union army; Francis; Catherine, who married John Swain; Sallie, who married Daniel Conevery, and Mary, who married Joseph Downey. The last mentioned is the only survivor of the family. Mr. McBride and wife spent the remaining years of their lives upon the homestead in Clearfield township, where he died in 1848, his wife dying some years before. He left his property to his son Enos, daughters Catherine and Sally, and a daughter of Mrs. Nancy McGinley. The old homestead is now in possession of his grandson, John Swain. The family were among the first Catholic settlers of Butler county, and belonged to the first congregation of that faith organized within its limits.

CORNELIUS MCBRIDE, eldest son of Patrick and Mary McBride, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, in 1813, was reared upon the farm, and received his education in the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. About 1848 he purchased 180 acres of land in Clearfield township, now owned by his son Francis P. Here he cleared a farm, erected buildings and resided to the time of his death, which occurred January 7, 1894, at the advanced age of eighty-one years. Mr. McBride married Mary McDevitt, a daughter of James McDevitt, of Donegal county, Ireland. She was the only member of her family who came to this country. By her marriage to Mr. McBride she became the mother of the following children: Francis P.; James C.; Henry J.; Mary, wife of Smith Titus, and Susan, of Butler. The mother died on April 19, 1869. Mr. McBride was an ardent Democrat, and filled most of the township offices at different periods. He and family were members of the Catholic church, and gave liberally towards the erection of St. John's church, of Clearfield township.

FRANCIS P. MCBRIDE, eldest son of Cornelius and Mary McBride, was born upon the homestead in Clearfield township, in 1852. He received a public school education and was reared upon the farm, assisting his parents in the home duties. He followed agriculture until 1891, when he engaged in oil producing, operating in the Hundred Foot field. In 1892 he located at Braddock, as a foreman for the Edgar Thomson Steel Company, which position he resigned

to accept one upon the police force of Braddock. He continued to act in that capacity until March, 1894, and then returned to the old homestead in Clearfield township. Mr. McBride is a Democrat, was elected a justice of the peace in 1880, and is now serving his fourth term in that office. In 1883 he was a delegate to the State convention, and has been a member of the county committee many times. He married Emma Rodgers, a daughter of James Rodgers, of Pittsburg, May 8, 1877, and has the following children: Mabel G.; Estella C.; Stephen; Tillie, and Joseph E. The family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of Clearfield township.

Hugh Gallagher, a native of Donegal county, Ireland, immigrated to Pennsylvania about 1800, and settled in Clearfield township, Butler county. He purchased 300 acres of land, erected a cabin, and spent the remaining years of his life engaged in making a home for his family. The old homestead is now occupied by Paul Kausler. He married Jennie Butler, a native of Maryland, and their family consisted of the following children: John, who died in Winfield township; William, who died in Clearfield township; Hugh, who died upon the old homestead; Eunice, deceased wife of Patrick Dougherty; Marjorie, deceased wife of Robert McCormick; Bridget, deceased wife of Mr. Cole; Mary, deceased wife of John Dugan; Catherine, wife of Edward Winner, of Oakland township, and Jane, who married Abraham Brinker, and for her second husband John Cochran. Mr. Gallagher and family belonged to the Catholic church, and he was buried in the old Catholic cemetery at Butler.

William Gallagher, second son of Hugh and Jennie Gallagher, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, in 1811, there grew to manhood, and spent his entire life in his native township. After arriving at his majority, he purchased 100 acres of land, for which he paid $300, and to this he afterwards added seventy-five acres. He cleared and improved this farm, and there died, December 2, 1891. His wife survived until December 26, 1893. Her maiden name was Grace Dugan, a daughter of Andrew Dugan, one of the early settlers of Clearfield township. They were the parents of four children, viz.: Andrew; Simon; Sarah A., wife of Dennis O'Donnell, and Hugh P. Both he and wife were members of St. John's Catholic church, and liberal supporters of that congregation. Politically, he was a Democrat, and one of the respected citizens of the community.

Andrew Gallagher was born on the homestead farm in Clearfield township, July 26, 1841, son of William and Grace Gallagher. He obtained a common school education, and remained with his parents until their decease. He received 100 acres of the home farm, and has devoted his whole attention to agriculture. He married Elizabeth McLaughlin, a daughter of Patrick McLaughlin, of Clearfield township, and their family are as follows: William; Daniel; Grace; Edward, deceased; Leo; Joseph; Michael, and Ella. Mr. Gallagher and family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of Clearfield township, and in politics, he is a stanch Democrat.

Charles Reilly was born in Kildare county, Ireland, in 1831, son of John and Catherine (Fagan) Reilly. At the age of eighteen he immigrated to the United States, and remained in New York city for several months. He then

went to Pittsburg, and entered the employ of John Oliver, of Allegheny City, as a driver in his livery stable, with whom he remained until 1857. In that year he removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he continued the same business, but returned to Allegheny in 1859, and entered the employ of John Painter, as coachman. He subsequently purchased, in partnership with Lewis Hancock, the livery stables of John Oliver, his former employer, but remained in the employ of Mr. Painter until 1864. In that year he removed to his present farm in Clearfield township, Butler county, consisting of 150 acres, which he purchased in 1859. Since settling upon his land he has cleared the majority of it and made all the improvements. Mr. Reilly married Ellen Clark, of Albany, New York, a daughter of William Clark, a native of Ireland. They are the parents of thirteen children, as follows: John, deceased; Charles; William A., a resident of Washington; James, and Michael, both deceased; John H., of Glade Run; Joseph F., Stephen J.; Richard J., and four that died in infancy. Politically, Mr. Reilly is a stanch Democrat, has filled the office of school director for eighteen years, and treasurer and overseer of the poor fourteen years, also jury commissioner for three years. He and family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of Clearfield township, and he is one of the enterprising and respected citizens of the community.

Edward George Leithold, was born in Saxony, Germany, in 1819, and at the age of twenty years immigrated to Pennsylvania, and purchased fifty acres of land in Jefferson township, Butler county, which he cleared and improved. His father came to Jefferson township shortly after our subject, accompanied by his two daughters, and settled upon a farm. In 1873 Mr. Leithold removed to Delano, opened a hotel, and also engaged in the mercantile and lumber business. He married Henrietta Bauer, and reared a family of three children, viz.: Caroline, wife of Charles Whitehouse; Amelia, wife of Alphonso Krause, of Winfield township, and William, of Clearfield township. He was a member of the Saxonburg Lutheran church, in which society he filled the office of elder. In politics, he was a Democrat, and quite active in the local councils of his party. He died December 27, 1893.

William Leithold, only son of Edward George and Henrietta Leithold, was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, January 15, 1844. He was reared a farmer and received his education in the public schools. He first settled in Jefferson township, and in 1870 purchased his present farm of 164 acres, in Clearfield township, upon which he has erected all of the buildings, and otherwise improved it. He married Elizabeth Bauer, a daughter of Peter Bauer, and has three children: Clara; Benjamin, and William. The family are adherents of the Lutheran church, and are connected with the Butler congregation. In politics, Mr. Leithold is a Democrat, but in local affairs is an independent voter. He is the owner of one of the finest improved farms in the county, upon which he has three producing oil wells, which bring him in considerable income. He is a man of commendable public spirit, and is recognized as a successful and enterprising citizen.

Robert Galbreath, Sr., came to Butler county in company with his four brothers, from Indiana county, Pennsylvania, about the close of the last century,

and settled in Buffalo (now Winfield) township. It is said that three of his brothers settled in the southeast part of the county and one in the northern part. Robert took up a tract of 400 acres, cleared a farm and resided thereon up to his death. He was one of the early justices of what is now Winfield township, in which part the family settled. His children are as follows: Robert; William; and Joseph, all of whom died in this county; Samuel, who died in Allegheny county; Mrs. Mary Ralston; Mrs. Elizabeth McCain; Mrs. Margaret Hill; Rebecca, and Mrs. Jane Rayburn, all of whom are dead. William and Joseph resided upon the homestead until their decease, and it is now the property of their descendants.

William Galbreath, second son of Robert Galbreath, was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, and came with his parents to Butler county. He married Esther Riddle, and their children were: Robert; Mary, wife of Thomas Watson, and Anne, who married William McClung, all of whom are dead, excepting Mrs. McClung, who resides in Oakland township. The father died about 1857. He was prominent in the Whig party, and was a member of the Covenanter church.

Robert Galbreath, only son of William Galbreath, was born on the homestead in what is now Winfield township in 1819. He followed farming throughout his life, and died in his native township. He was active in the Whig and Republican parties, and was recognized as a worthy citizen. For many years he was an elder in the United Presbyterian church. He married Isabella, daughter of James McCafferty of Buffalo township, to which union were born nine children, six of whom grew to maturity: Annie, deceased wife of James Thompson; Henry, who resides on a part of the old homestead; Caroline, wife of Dr. McKee of Armstrong county; Mary, wife of R. B. Ivory, an attorney of Pittsburg; Belle, who resides at home, and James M., a practicing attorney of the Butler bar.

Matthias Cypher, a soldier of the Revolution, is believed to have settled in the Shenango valley, Virginia, whence he removed to Winfield township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, about 1798. He purchased 250 acres of land, upon which he settled, situated where his grandson, William Cypher, now lives. Here he resided until his death. He married, in Virginia, Elizabeth Little, and was the father of the following children: John, who died in Winfield township; David, who served in the War of 1812, and died in the same township; William, who also died in Winfield; Matthias, who died in Jefferson township; Theresa, who married Patrick Collins; Hannah, who married Peter Gallagher; Mrs. Nancy McCandless; Mrs. Ann Rufner; Mrs. Peggy Morrow, Mrs. Catherine Friel, and Mrs. Betsey Marshall, all of whom are dead.

John Cypher, was born in Virginia, in 1787, son of Matthias and Elizabeth Cypher, and came with his parents to Butler county when about eleven years old. He was reared in Winfield township, and in 1837 purchased the farm now owned by Mrs. Keck. Here he resided until his death, engaged in clearing and improving his land and making a home for himself and family. He married Mary Hagen, a native of Ireland, and their children are as follows: John; Philip; Matthias; Bernard; Mrs. Kate Miller; William; James; Michael;

Henry; Barbara, who married Joseph Smith, Kesiah, and Francis. Mr. Cypher died in 1871, and his wife in 1872. They were life-long members of the Catholic church, and are buried in St. John's graveyard.

Philip Cypher, second son of John and Mary Cypher, was born upon the homestead in Winfield township, Butler county, June 13, 1816. He was reared a farmer, and in 1851 purchased eleven acres of land, where his son Martin now resides, and settled upon it. He afterwards added fifty acres to this tract, and devoted his life to agriculture. He was a prominent member of the Democratic party, and filled the office of justice of the peace for many years. He married Nancy Denny, a daughter of James Denny of Clearfield township. She was born June 6, 1820. They were married by Father Cody, July 5, 1842, and lived to celebrate their golden wedding, July 5, 1892. Six children were the fruits of this union, as follows: William; James; Martin; John B.; Mary, and Philip, all of whom are dead with the exception of Martin. Mr. Cypher, like his father and grandfather, was a member of the Catholic church, and was connected with St. John's congregation. He died on March 12, 1894, and is buried in St. John's graveyard. His widow resides upon the old homestead.

Martin Cypher, only living child of Philip and Nancy Cypher, was born upon the homestead farm in Winfield township, June 20, 1847. He received a common school education, and afterwards spent three years at Witherspoon Institute, where he was graduated. He engaged in teaching in connection with farming, and taught in the public schools of Butler county for nineteen years. Mr. Cypher married Eva Bleichner, a daughter of Nicholas Bleichner, of Clearfield township, at Summit Catholic church April 11, 1870. They have had nine children: Martha, born April 26, 1871, wife of Alfred Fleming, of Buffalo township, to whom she was married at Mayville, New York, June 25, 1891; Mary Agnes, born December 29, 1872, married at St. John's church, Clearfield township, to William Hutzler, June 7, 1894; Vincent, born December 13, 1874; Harry, born March 15, 1876; Philip, born August 7, 1877; Helen, born January 27, 1879; Philomen, born October 14, 1880, and died August 10, 1881; Melinda, born April 15, 1882, and Martin B., born January 10, 1884. Mrs. Cypher was born April 5, 1852, and died April 5, 1886. The family are members of St. John's Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. Cypher is a Democrat. He is one of the most intelligent and progressive citizens of his native township.

James Denny was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in 1778, a son of Michael Denny. In 1794 he immigrated with his parents to Pennsylvania and settled in Cumberland county, near Carlisle. He was a shoemaker, and followed his trade in that county, as well as after his removal to Butler county, where he settled in 1799. His parents came with him, also his brother William. Another brother, Michael, settled in Armstrong county, and died there. William afterwards located on the lands first entered by James, married Ann Daugherty, and his descendants are still residents of the township. James Denny entered 200 acres of land in Clearfield township, upon which he lived until 1803, and then purchased 200 acres in the same township, where he resided down to his death, February 25, 1872. He married Mary O'Donnell, a daughter of Arthur

O'Donnell, of Clearfield township, who immigrated from Ireland to Butler county, in 1798. She died on July 4, 1835. They were the parents of the following children: James, who married Eliza Hazlett, reared three children and died in 1844; Michael, who married Elizabeth Dugan, and died in Nevada; William; Arthur, who died in Clearfield township, married Bridget Sheridan, and had eight children; Mary, deceased wife of Edward Cypher; Daniel; Nancy, widow of Philip Cypher, and John. The family were among the first members of St. John's Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. Denny was a Democrat. He was one of the substantial pioneers of Winfield and Clearfield townships.

William Denny, third son of James and Mary Denny, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, February 15, 1812, and was reared to manhood upon the homestead. In 1830 his father purchased 500 acres of land in what is now Winfield township, and James Denny, Jr., and William Denny went into business on it in 1837. James Denny died in 1844, and his interest was purchased by Daniel Denny. In 1847 William, Daniel and John Denny went into business together, and have continued their partnership to the present time. They rebuilt the old mill and have carried on farming and milling. In 1870 they built three miles of the West Penn railroad, and on the completion of the road they opened a general store at Delano, where our subject was the first postmaster, the office being named in honor of the family. The Dennys operate 600 acres of land, and are among the leading farmers of the county. Mr. Denny is a member of St. John's Catholic church, of Clearfield township, is a Democrat, in politics, and is an energetic and enterprising citizen.

Daniel Denny, son of James and Mary Denny, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, May 4, 1818, attended a subscription school of pioneer days, and since early manhood has been associated with the business enterprises of his brothers, William and John. He married Helen McLaughlin, who died in 1866, leaving four children, viz.: Elvira, wife of John Easley, of Armstrong county; James, of Salt Lake city; Mary, who is unmarried, and Eleanor, wife of John Millhauser. Mr. Denny was married again to Margaret Easley. The family are connected with St. John's Catholic church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

John Denny, son of James and Mary Denny, was born August 15, 1824, upon the old homestead in Clearfield township. He was reared to manhood upon the farm, and has since been connected with the various business enterprises of his brothers. He married Sarah A. Sheridan, and both he and wife are members of St. John's Catholic church. Politically, Mr. Denny is a stanch Democrat.

Lewis A. Krause was born in Saxe-Wiemar, Saxony, Germany, in October, 1809, and lived upon a farm in his early youth. He received an excellent education, and filled an important public office before his immigration to this country. In 1853 he settled on a farm in Jefferson township, Butler county, where he resided until 1861, and then took up his residence at Hannahstown. He engaged in the hotel business, which he continued until 1863, and then retired. In 1859 he organized the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and filled the office of president until his death, in June, 1871. Mr. Krause was married

in his native land to Fredericka Schmerbaugh, who became the mother of the following children: Alphonso; Alma, widow of Joseph Rhey; Robert; Pauline, wife of Charles Redick; Julius, chief car inspector of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Pittsburg; Thielo, a merchant of Saxonburg, and Richard, deceased. Mrs. Krause survived her husband sixteen years, dying in 1887. They were members of the Saxonburg Lutheran church. In politics, Mr. Krause was an ardent Democrat, and though an active and influential member of his party, he would never accept public office.

Alphonso Krause, eldest son of Lewis A. and Fredericka Krause, was born in Saxe-Wiemar, Saxony, Germany, May 25, 1837, was educated in his native town, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1853. He was engaged in farming until 1868, when he formed a partnership with his brother Robert, under the firm name of R. & A. Krause, and embarked in merchandising at Hannahstown, removing to Delano in 1871. He has been engaged in mercantile pursuits up to the present, in connection with various other business enterprises. In 1888 he was elected president of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, which position he has filled up to the present. Mr. Krause was married on May 11, 1862. to Amelia Leithold, and has seven children, viz.: Emma, widow of Henry Paul; Albert, railroad agent at Delano; Lydia; Josie; Philip; Clara, and Hattie. The family are connected with Hannahstown Lutheran church, in which Mr. Krause has been treasurer for many years. He is also a member of the board of managers of the Concordia Orphans' Home, of Jefferson township. He was a school director in Jefferson township since 1866, and when he moved to Winfield township was elected to the same office in said township, and held the position of secretary up to 1892, since which year he has been president of the school board. In politics, he is a Democrat, and is one of the leading citizens of the community, as well as one of its most successful business men.

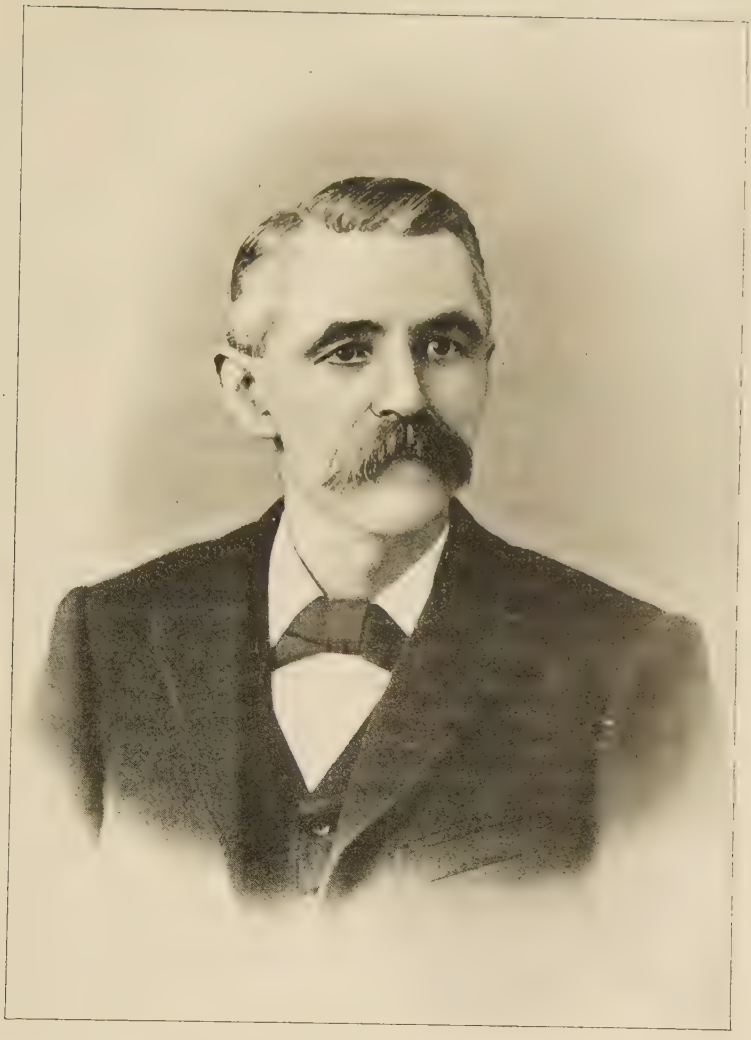
Robert Krause, second son of Lewis A. and Fredericka Krause, was born in Saxe-Wiemar, Saxony, Germany, September 8, 1842, and was eleven years old when his parents immigrated to Butler county. He received a common school education in his native land, and only attended school for six months after coming to this county. He worked upon the homestead farm until the autumn of 1861, when he enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and served until mustered out in 1865. He participated in the battles of Gaines Mill, where his whole regiment was captured and sent to Belle Isle prison, but exchanged in forty days, Second Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and the Wilderness, with many other lesser engagements. His regiment was again captured at the Wilderness, and he was held a prisoner at Danville, Andersonville, Florence, and Castle Thunder, for different periods, until the surrender of Lee. Returning to his home in Butler county, he resumed work upon the farm. In 1867 he purchased a store at Hannahstown, and soon afterwards became associated with his brother, Alphonso, under the firm name of R. & A. Krause. In 1871 they located at Delano, where they have ever since conducted a successful mercantile business. They also carry on a planing mill at Freeport, and are one of the prosperous firms of Butler county. Mr. Krause married Maria Camphire, to whom have been born the fol-

lowing children: Annie, wife of William Fruhling; William; Lewis; Minnie; Flora; Richard, and Elsie. The family are connected with the Hannahstown Lutheran church, in which Mr. Krause has filled the office of treasurer and trustee. In politics, he is a Democrat, but conservative in his political views and opinions. He is treasurer of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and is a leading and influential business man, as well as a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

THIELO KRAUSE, merchant, was born in Saxe-Wiemar, Germany, October 27, 1848, son of Lewis A. and Fredericka Krause, and came to Butler county with his parents. He was reared in Jefferson township, learned the harness-maker's trade and carried on that business for himself eight years. In 1875 he took charge of the store of E. A. Helmbold & Company, at Saxon Station, and upon the death of Mr. Helmbold, he continued as a partner under the firm name of Krause, Helmbold & Company, at Saxonburg. In 1889 he purchased the interests of his partners, became sole proprietor of the store, and has since carried it on successfully. On May 13, 1873, he married Minnie C. Helmbold, a daughter of Ernest A. Helmbold. She was born July 5, 1853, and is the mother of eight children, as follows: Elvira; Laura; Antoinette; Carrie C., deceased; Della; Julius; Luella, and Maude, deceased. Mr. Krause is an ardent Democrat, and has filled all of the offices in Saxonburg at different periods. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., both Lodge and Encampment.

JOHN M. SCOTT, physician and surgeon, was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, September 26, 1849, son of John and Mary (Reed) Scott. His father was a native of Juniata county, born in 1807, and married a Miss Henderson, of Blairsville, who bore him one son, Thomas J., deceased. In 1838, he married Mary Reed, a daughter of Samuel Reed, of Indiana county, who became the mother of five children, viz.; James S., a resident of Altoona; Sarah E., deceased; John M., and two that died in early youth. John Scott removed from Johnstown to Indiana county, where he purchased a farm of 106 acres, upon which he died, April 13, 1860. His wife survived, and resides with her son, John M., at Carbon Black, Butler county. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and taught in early manhood. He afterwards read medicine with Dr. Willian C. Parker, of Jacksonville, Pennsylvania, attended lectures at Starling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, whence he returned to Livermore, Pennsylvania, where he was associated in practice with Dr. M. R. Banks for a year and a half. In March, 1873, he located at Carbon Black, Butler county, where he has since built up a lucrative practice. Dr. Scott was married on September 26, 1872, to Agnes M. Black, a daughter of John A. Black, of Greensburg, to which union have been born six children, five of whom survive, viz.: Mary J.; Carrie V.; John B.; Helen, and Jane W. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and in politics, the doctor is a stanch Republican. He is highly respected by the citizens of the community, and in his professional duties has won the confidence of a large clientele. He is one of the well known physicians of the county, and stands well with his medical brethren.

WILLIAM WITTE was born in Prussia, Germany, in 1804, there grew to manhood and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1848 he immigrated to Pittsburg,



Robert Krause

Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade until 1856. In that year he purchased fifty acres of land in Winfield township, Butler county, now the property of his son, Fred W. He improved this farm and resided upon it the balance of his life, dying in 1887. He married Sophia Wehling before coming to this country, and one son was born to this union, Fred W. Mrs. Witte died in 1883. They were members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he was a Republican.

Fred W. Witte, only child of William and Sophia Witte, was born in Prussia, in 1834, and came to Pittsburg with his parents when about fourteen years of age. He learned the glass-blower's trade, and obtained an education by attending the night schools in Pittsburg. He followed his trade until about 1868, when he purchased 100 acres of his present farm, to which he has since added thirty-six acres. He also owns two other farms of fifty and 125 acres, respectively, which property he has accumulated by his own industry. Mr. Witte married Amelia Bicker, a daughter of H. H. Bicker. She died in 1869, leaving one son, William H., of Buffalo township. Politically, Mr. Witte is a Republican, has always taken a decided interest in politics, and has filled the office of school director, and other minor positions in his township. He was a delegate to the congressional convention of 1889, and is a member of the county committee. He is one of the leading and public-spirited citizens of Winfield township, and is always ready to give his support to every worthy enterprise.

George Fruhling was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, in 1816, and is a son of Henry and Elizabeth K. Fruhling. His parents died when he was a child, and he was reared upon a farm and educated in the public schools of his native land. In 1849 he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and joined his brother Casper, who had previously come to Armstrong county, and the following year he settled in Winfield township, Butler county. He found employment at the Buffalo furnace, in Clarion county, where he continued to work until 1853, when he took up his permanent residence in Winfield township. He purchased sixty-seven acres of land, now owned by his son August, upon which he still resides. He married Margaret Syphers, in Germany, and is the father of the following children: August; Maggie, deceased, and Henry. Mrs. Fruhling died in 1877. She was a member of the Evangelical church, to which denomination her husband belongs. In politics, he is a Republican.

August Fruhling, eldest son of George and Margaret Fruhling, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, in 1847, came with his parents to Pennsylvania in early childhood, and grew to manhood upon the homestead in Winfield township, where he is now cultivating 105 acres of land. He married Henrietta Bicker, a daughter of Rev. H. H. Bicker, to which union have been born eleven children, viz.: Annie, wife of H. H. Roenick; Charles; Mary; Herman; Emma; Ida; Walter; Albert; Edwin; Harvey, and William. Mr. Fruhling is a member of the Evangelical church and a trustee in that society. In politics, he is a Republican, has filled the offices of school director and overseer of the poor, and is the present assessor and collector of the township. He is a member of the K. of P., of Saxonburg, and and a worthy and enterprising citizen.

Jacob Giesler was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, and grew to manhood in his native land. He was twice married before his immigration to this country.

His first wife left two children, Julius and Elizabeth. His second wife was Christina Seppel, who bore him five children, viz.: William; Margaret; Elesa; Christina, and Kate. In 1848 the family immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Harmony, Butler county, the following year. Mr. Giesler subsequently purchased a farm of sixty acres in Winfield township, where his son William now resides. He cleared and improved this property, and died upon it in 1855. His wife survived him eight years, dying in 1863.

William Giesler, only son of Jacob and Christina Giesler, was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, in 1838, came with his parents to Butler county, and here grew to manhood. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. In February, 1864, he again enlisted, in Company B, Second Pennsylvania Artillery, and remained in the service until January, 1866. After his discharge he returned to Butler county and subsequently purchased the old homestead, owning at the present time seventy-one acres of well improved land. In 1862 he married Martha Voland, a daughter of Henry Voland. Ten children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Mollie, wife of Charles Gebhart; Henry; Kate; John; Tillie; Albert; William; George; Emma, and Lewis. Mr. Giesler is independent in politics, and has filled the offices of school director and overseer of the poor. He is a member of the Saxonburg Lutheran church, and is connected with A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R.

Henry Keasey was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1811. His father was connected with the management of one of the early furnaces of that locality, and Henry thus acquired a knowledge of the business. In 1847, he came to Butler county, with William Spear, and built the Winfield furnace, in Winfield township. He managed the furnace for Mr. Spear and his successors, as long as it was kept in operation. He then purchased the Duff farm of 200 acres, in Winfield township, and engaged in farming until 1890, when he sold the place to Joseph Brittain, Jr., of Butler. Mr. Keasey married Elizabeth Campbell, and was the father of the following children: George W.; Henry C.; Margaret, wife of James Dugan, a superintendent in the Carnegie Iron Works; Mary, wife of Augustus Acre, of Ohio, and Webster, of Winfield township. Mr. Keasey died on May 1, 1890; his widow is still living. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and connected with the Worthington congregation. Politically, he was a Democrat, and was one of the influential members of his party in Butler county.

George W. Keasey, eldest son of Henry and Elizabeth Keasey, was born in Shippenville, Clarion county, March 26, 1848. He was reared in Butler county, and was educated in the common schools of Winfield township, and at the high school of Holidaysburg. He remained upon the farm until he was twenty years of age, and then went into the oil fields of Venango county, and subsequently followed the same business in Armstrong, Beaver and Butler counties, as a driller and tool dresser, until 1883. In that year he returned to Butler county and engaged in the purchase of live stock for the Butler and Pittsburg markets, which he has followed down to the present. He also carries on a retail butcher trade in connection with farming. He settled upon his present farm in

1883. Mr. Keasey married Bridget Patterson, a daughter of Thomas Patterson, of Armstrong county, to which union have been born nine children, viz.: Lillian; Henry, who died in September, 1893; Cora; George; Lulu; Henrietta; Cleveland; Charley, and Harry. The family are adherents of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Keasey is a Democrat.

Henry C. Keasey, second son of Henry and Elizabeth Keasey, was born May 19, 1849, at Winfield furnace, Butler county, and was reared upon the homestead in Winfield township. In 1881 he went to Karns City, Pennsylvania, and engaged in the hotel business, remained three years and subsequently conducted hotels at Bennett and Tarentum, Pennsylvania. In February, 1894, he went into the hotel business at Saxon Station, Butler county, where he is still located. Mr. Keasey married Fannie Burtner, a daughter of Philip Burtner, who has borne him one daughter, now deceased. Politically, he is a Democrat, and has held the offices of constable and tax collector in Winfield township. He is a member of Allegheny Lodge, K. of P., of Allegheny.

Webster Keasey, youngest son of Henry and Eliza Keasey, was born in Winfield township, Butler county, February 4, 1856, received a common school education, and in 1876 found employment in the oil fields of McKean and Butler counties. In 1879 he went to Leadville, Colorado, and engaged in railroad contracting for four years, then returned to the homestead and followed farming until 1889. In that year he formed a partnership with J. A. Ransom, and engaged in the lumber business until 1893, when they leased the lime quarries now operated by the Acme Lime Company, Limited, and the following year organized that company, of which he is superintendent and one of the original stockholders. In May, 1894, Mr. Keasey was appointed postmaster of Rough Run, and is the present incumbent of that office. Politically, he is a Republican. He married Nannie Campbell, a daughter of Johnson and Annie Campbell, and has one son. Mr. Keasey is one of the enterprising citizens of his native township.

John H. Flemming, a native of Saxe-Wiemar, Saxony, immigrated to Butler county, in 1836, and settled at Saxonburg. He was a tile manufacturer, but did not follow his business in this country. Soon after coming here he went to Butler, and was employed in the stables of the Beatty House. Remaining there for a short time he went to Pittsburg, and took charge of the stables of the Red Lion Hotel, filling that position for seventeen years. In 1853 he settled in Winfield township upon a tract of seventeen acres, disposing of a farm of 112 acres which he owned in Buffalo township, and subsequently added forty acres to his homestead, upon which he resided down to his death, July 15, 1893. He married Christina Wiefel, who died in 1877. Their children were as follows: John M., deceased; Charles, and Emma, wife of August Asche. In politics, Mr. Flemming, was a Democrat, and in religious faith, a member of the Evangelical church.

Charles Flemming, son of John H. and Christina Flemming, was born September 26, 1857, upon the homestead farm in Winfield township. He learned the carpenter's trade and followed it for fifteen years. In 1881 he purchased his present farm of fifty-three acres, retired from the carpenter busi-

ness in 1886, and has since devoted his whole attention to agriculture. He married Mary Gerner, a daughter of Anthony Gerner, of Winfield township, and has four children, viz.: Clara; Tillie; Emma, and Minnie. The family are connected with the Hannahstown Lutheran church, in which he has served as trustee. In politics, Mr. Flemming is a Democrat, and is a member of Grange, Number 1105, P. of H.

George Wiefel was born in Prussia, came to Butler county in 1837, and purchased a farm in Winfield township, adjoining the Flemming homestead, in 1840. Here he resided until his death, which occurred in 1868. His widow resides with her grandson, Charles Flemming. She is the mother of two children, Christina, deceased wife of John H. Flemming, and Hannah, widow of Fred Fries. Mr. Wiefel was a Democrat, in politics, and was a member of the Evangelical church.

John Lefevre, Sr., son of Jacob Lefevre, was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, March 20, 1818, was reared upon his father's farm, and followed farming in connection with the carpenter's business and undertaking. In 1860 he was elected coroner of Butler county, on the Republican ticket, and has also served as constable, collector and assessor, of Jefferson township. In 1842 he married Mary E. Patton, of Oakland township, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Mary E., wife of Robert Elliott; James, deceased; John; Rachel, wife of Henry Kaufold, and Isabel, wife of Benjamin Sarver. Mrs. Lefevre died in March, 1877. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Lefevre is now a resident of Winfield township.

Jacob Frantz was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1806, a son of Jacob Frantz of the same county. His father was a miller and farmer, and reared a family of nine children, viz.: Jacob; Delilah, who married Peter Painter; Sarah, who married George Berger; Abraham; Isaac; Emma, who married John Scott; Peter; Mary, who married John McCormick, and Elizabeth. The family lived in Armstrong county, where both the father and mother died. Jacob learned the milling business with his father, and also the shoemaker's trade, which he followed in connection with farming. In 1842 he married Agnes Forrester, of Armstrong county, who bore him the following children: Annie, who married Hiram A. Shaffer; Jeanette, and Agnes, both deceased; James, who was killed in battle while serving in the Union army; Margaret, who first married Frank P. Painter, and for her second husband, William H. Rayworth; William; John S., and Stephen A. Mr. Frantz was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, and a charter member of Center congregation, in which he filled the office of deacon for many years. In politics, he was a Democrat, held most of the township offices, and was a member of the early state militia. He died at Slate Lick, Armstrong county, in 1883. His widow resides upon the old homestead in that county.

John S. Frantz was born at Slate Lick, Armstrong county, son of Jacob and Agnes Frantz. He received a common school education, entered the Western University, at Allegheny, in 1884, and spent two years at Waynesburg College. He studied engineering, and has been employed at Ford City in that capacity. He came to Butler county in 1888, resided in the borough of Butler

one year, and then removed to Allegheny, in which city he lived for two years. Returning to Winfield township, Butler county, he purchased thirty acres of land, upon which he has erected a fine residence, and has since made this county his home. On October 6, 1885, he married Josephine Bricker, a daughter of John Bricker, of Buffalo township. Three children have been born to this union, one of whom, Edward S., survives. Mr. Frantz is a licensed preacher in the Methodist Episcopal church, but devotes his attention principally to his trade and agriculture. In politics, he is a Republican.

THOMAS FLEMING was born in Scotland, there grew to manhood, and afterwards immigrated to eastern Pennsylvania. About 1798 he came to Butler county and purchased 1,100 acres of land, in what is now Buffalo township. He built his cabin in the midst of an unbroken forest and commenced the work of creating a home for his family. He cleared a portion of the land, and the balance he divided among his sons. He married a Miss Henderson, and had a family of nine children, as follows: John; Robert; Allen; Thomas; Samuel; Alexander; James; Rebecca, and Elizabeth, who first married Johnson Cravat, and afterwards John Anderson. Mr. Fleming kept a distillery, and dealt quite extensively in live stock, which he took to the eastern markets. While on one of these trips in 1836, he took sick on the summit of the Allegheny mountains, and there died. His wife died in 1833.

SAMUEL FLEMING was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, May 14, 1800, fifth son of Thomas Fleming. He was reared upon the homestead, and in 1828 married Annie Johnston, a daughter of Robert Johnston of Summit township. They became the parents of five children, viz.: John, deceased; Rebecca, deceased wife of George Hazlett; Samuel H.; Robert, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Fleming died October 30, 1863, and his wife, in November, 1869. They were members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

SAMUEL H. FLEMING was born on the homestead farm in Buffalo township, May 18, 1833, son of Samuel and Annie Fleming. He received a common school education and has always been engaged in farming. On December 26, 1861, he married Margaret Ann Ekas, a daughter of Thomas Ekas, of Buffalo township. Ten children are the fruits of this union, as follows: James W.; Harry B.; Homer H.; Charles W.; Emma M.; Rachel E.; Florence M.; Samuel M.; Ella M., and John G. Mr. Fleming and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Republican. The family reside upon the old homestead in Buffalo township.

ROBERT FLEMING was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, March 18, 1836, and is a son of Samuel Fleming, and grandson of Thomas Fleming. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and received his education in the common schools. In 1860 his father gave him a portion of his present farm, to which he has since added by purchase, and is now the owner of 135 acres of well improved land. On April 26, 1860, Mr. Fleming was married to Sarah J. Brown, a daughter of John Brown, of Buffalo township. To this union have been born nine children, as follows: Elmer E.; Jerry A.; John H.; Rebecca A.; Alice P.; Ulysses Grant; Albert A.; George O., and Oliver H. The family are connected

with the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Fleming is a Republican. He has filled the office of school director, and takes a commendable interest in the prosperity of the public schools.

JOHN WEIR was born in Donegal county, Ireland, May 4, 1777, grew to manhood in his native land, served in the Irish Rebellion of 1798, and in 1800 immigrated to Wilmington, Delaware, where he worked in a powder factory for fourteen years. In 1812 he married Jane Roney, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Roney, natives of Ireland, and early settlers of Butler county. Soon after his marriage he enlisted in the War of 1812, and served in that struggle against England. In 1818 Mr. Weir came to Butler county, and purchased 256 acres of land in Buffalo township, known as "Disappointment," and the following year, with his wife and five children, he settled upon his farm. His wife's parents came with them and settled in Winfield township. Mr. and Mrs. Weir were the parents of eight children, viz.: John; William, deceased; Elizabeth, who married John Murray; Mary, who married David Callam; Margaret, deceased wife of Dennis Martin; Sophia, wife of Robert Morris; Alfred D., deceased, and Jane, who married John H. Baird. Mrs. Weir died in 1864, aged seventy-five, and her husband, in 1872, at the advanced age of ninety-five years. He served as captain of militia until he was sixty years of age, took a deep interest in churches and schools, was one of the first school directors in his township, and was recognized as a worthy and upright man.

ALFRED D. WEIR was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, August 13, 1823, was reared upon the Weir homestead, and received a good education. He followed school teaching in early manhood, and was a school director for more than twenty years, always taking a deep interest in educational matters. In 1853 he was elected a county auditor, and associate judge in 1876, and served on the bench a full term. He married Elizabeth J. Morris, a daughter of Robert Morris, of Freeport, April 12, 1855, to which union were born six children, as follows: Isabella, deceased; Margaret M., wife of Dr. R. C. McCurdy; Ida, deceased wife of Dr. J. M. Blain; John; Jennie, deceased, and Alexander M. Judge Weir was a member of the Presbyterian church, held the office of elder in that denomination for thirty-five years, and was a delegate to the general assembly, at Detroit, in 1891. He was one of the most prominent and progressive citizens of his native county, and closed his long and useful life, on his homestead, in Buffalo township, in June, 1894.

THOMAS GREER was a son of Matthew and Isabella (Boise) Greer, who emigrated from Tyrone county, Ireland, in 1822, with a family of four sons and one daughter, named as follows: Charles; Robert; Matthew; Thomas, and Margaret. They settled in Washington county, Pennsylvania, where the father died some ten years later. In 1835 the widow, with her three youngest children, came to Butler county and settled in what is now the southeast corner of Jefferson township, where she resided until her death. Matthew and Thomas purchased farms here, the former afterwards removing to Buffalo township. Thomas was married in 1843, to Margaret Jane Morgan, a daughter of Isaac Morgan, to which union were born two sons: John M., president judge of Butler county, and

Robert. Mrs. Greer died in October, 1846, and her husband married Elizabeth Cooper, a daughter of William Cooper, who became the mother of three sons, viz.: William H., who is in the pension department at Washington; Matthew S., of Jefferson township, and Samuel W., of Butler. Mr. Greer was a member of the Lutheran church, and a stanch adherent of the Republican party. He died upon the old homestead, where his widow is still living, January 31, 1880.

Matthew Greer was born in Ireland, November 8, 1811, immigrated to Pennsylvania with his parents, Matthew and Isabella (Boise) Greer, when eleven years old and settled in Washington county, where he grew to maturity. In 1832, he married Rebecca Nesbit, a daughter of John Nesbit, of Washington county, who bore him three children, viz.: John, deceased; Matthew N., and Rebecca, who married Alexander Black, deceased. In 1835 Mr. Greer came to Butler county, and purchased a farm of 287 acres in Buffalo (now Jefferson) township, near Hannahstown. His wife died in 1838. In 1845 he married Elizabeth Sarver, a daughter of John Sarver, of Buffalo township, to which union were born six children, as follows: Mary J., who married Charles Krumpe; Ella, who married Johnson J. Hesselgesser; Elizabeth; Eliza, and Letitia, who married John Montgomery, and Thomas H. Mr. Greer sold all of his land with the exception of seventy-five acres, upon which he resided until 1850. In that year he bought a part of the McCall tract, of 175 acres, and here died on October 11, 1883. His wife survived him ten years, and died in June, 1893. In politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and served as county commissioner, school director, auditor and collector.

Matthew N. Greer was born near Hickory, Washington county, Pennsylvania, March 14, 1835, and came to Butler county in infancy. He received a common school education and afterwards attended Witherspoon Institute and the Butler Academy, and then engaged in teaching. On September 18, 1856, he married Grizzella M. Walker, a daughter of Jonathan Walker, of Clinton township, and in 1861 he purchased the Robert Bartley farm, in Buffalo township, upon which he has since resided. Nine children have been born of his marriage to Grizzella M. Walker, four of whom are still living, as follows: John B., who is now probate judge of Marion county, Kansas; Emma, wife of Elmer E. Campbell; Grizzella, wife of Robert M. McFarland, and Thomas DeWolf. In 1862 Mr. Greer enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Harrisburg, on August 23, and sent to Washington, D. C. He participated with his regiment in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, and Chancellorsville, and was discharged on May 31, 1863. He served as orderly sergeant until the resignation of Lieutenant Harvey, and then became second lieutenant. In February, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company L, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was sent to Martinsburg, West Virginia. He was captured July 3, 1864, and taken to Andersonville prison, was exchanged in December following, and came home on furlough. In April, 1865, he rejoined his regiment, and was sent to Leavenworth, Kansas, where he was honorably discharged on August 8, 1865. He returned to Butler county and resumed the duties of farm life. In politics, Mr. Greer is a stanch Republican, and has filled the offices of overseer of the poor, township clerk, school director and auditor, and in 1872

was elected register and recorder of Butler county. In 1881 he was elected prothonotary, and is now assessor of his township. He has been one of the prominent and active Republicans of the county, and has always taken a decided interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Lutheran church and an elder in that denomination. Like the majority of old soldiers, he is connected with the G. A. R., and is a member of James Harvey Post, Number 514.

Michael Heckart was born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, in 1763, there grew to manhood, married and reared a family of eight children, as follows: John; Peter; Joseph; Elizabeth, who married Jacob Miller; Catherine, who married Michael Stepp; William; Michael, and Francis. In 1812 Mr. Heckart removed to Butler county, and settled in Jefferson township, whence he afterwards went to Connoquenessing township. He died at Whitestown, and was buried in Mt. Nebo cemetery. He was a member of the Lutheran church.

Francis Heckart, youngest son of Michael Heckart, was born in Northumberland county, July 1, 1808, came to Butler county with his parents when about four years old, and spent the remaining years of his life in this county. In 1832 he married Lydia Seaman, a daughter of John Seaman, of Harmony. Thirteen children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Michael S.; Paul, deceased; George W.; Catherine, deceased; Caroline, wife of John Dufford; William; John; Mary A., wife of Samuel S. Fleming; Sarah, wife of William W. Brandon; Elizabeth, wife of Andrew McCafferty; Lydia, wife of James Harbison; Amelia, wife of Seward Brandon, and Rachel L. In 1846 Mr. Heckart purchased a farm in Connoquenessing township, upon which he resided until his death, January 17, 1889. His wife died on July 5, following. In early life he was a member of the Lutheran church, but afterwards united with the Reformed denomination. In politics, he was a Republican.

Michael S. Heckart was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, April 23, 1833, was reared upon the farm, and learned the carpenter's trade, which business he followed for many years. On September 16, 1862, he married Elizabeth C. Fleming, a daughter of James and Margaret Fleming, and the same year located on his present homestead in Buffalo township. Three children were born of this union, viz.: Mina M., wife of John Harbison; Lydia E., and John F., a minister of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Heckart died on April 18, 1868. She was a member of the Lutheran church, in which society Mr. Heckart has filled the office of elder for thirty years. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as school director, and filled other minor positions.

Jacob Byerly was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, February 25, 1799, was reared in his native county, and learned the cabinet maker's trade. On January 10, 1822, he married Susannah Hepler, a daughter of John Hepler, of Armstrong county, and the following year came to Butler county, and purchased seventy acres of land in Buffalo township. He afterwards bought adjoining tracts, until he owned 247 acres of well improved land. Here he died on March 13, 1855. His wife survived until July 16, 1884. They were the parents of nine children, as follows: Martha, who married Jacob Burtner; Mary, wife of Thomas Ekas; Phoebe, deceased wife of John Reiger; John; Michael; Jacob; Benjamin, and Elizabeth J., the last three of whom are dead, and Adam. The

parents were members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Byerly was a Republican.

JOHN BYERLY, eldest son of Jacob and Susannah Byerly, was born upon the homestead in Buffalo township, December 7, 1827, received a common school education, and has followed farming since boyhood. He is one of the most extensive and successful farmers in the county, and is the owner of over 700 acres of land in Butler and Allegheny counties. He resides upon the old homestead, and has fifteen producing wells on the Jefferson township farm, in which, however, the Byerly heirs have an interest. In politics, he is a stanch Republican, and one of the representative citizens of his township.

THOMAS HARBISON, sixth son of John and Massy Harbison, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, in 1798, was reared upon his father's farm, and attended the pioneer subscription school of his neighborhood. He married Jane McCurdy, a daughter of John McCurdy, of Allegheny county, May 15, 1823, and the following year purchased the present Harbison homestead in Buffalo township, containing 260 acres. Here he died April 30, 1870, and his wife, October 7, 1872. They were the parents of six children, viz.: John, deceased; Mary, who married Jacob Hilliard, of Washington township; James; David; Elizabeth, who married John Mitchell, and for her second husband, Joseph Gibson, and Sarah, deceased. Mr. Harbison and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. He was an adherent of the Republican party, and filled the offices of supervisor, collector and constable in Buffalo township.

JAMES HARBISON was born upon the old Harbison homestead, in Buffalo township, Butler county, September 13, 1828, son of Thomas and Jane Harbison. He was reared upon the farm, and attended the district school during his boyhood days. On November 11, 1852, he married Susannah Gibson, now deceased, a daughter of Joseph Gibson, of Allegheny county. Five children were born to this union, viz.: Joseph P.; Elzena J., deceased; Annie E.; Melna, S., deceased, and Margaret J. G. Mr. Harbison was engaged in merchandising at Monroeville for a period, and kept a hotel in Freeport from 1882 until 1887. He then returned to the farm where he now resides. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is a Republican in politics, and has been township auditor and supervisor. He is a direct descendant of Massy Harbison, the story of whose capture and escape will be found in this work. He possesses the only picture of Mrs. Harbison in existence, and also owns the spinning wheel which she used during pioneer days.

THOMAS BARTLEY, fifth son of Thomas and Margaret Bartley, was born in Penn township, Butler county, in 1812, and was reared upon the old homestead. He afterwards went to Allegheny and learned the brickmaker's trade, and was there married, in 1837, to Mary Dick, a daughter of David Dick. In 1857 he purchased 240 acres of land in Oakland township, Butler county, and lived upon it until 1871, then sold out and returned to Allegheny, where he was engaged in the manufacture of brick down to his death, March 14, 1877. His widow resides at Wilkinsburg. They were the parents of seven children, viz.: William J.; Isabel, wife of Samuel Patton, of Oakland township; Thomas A.; David,

deceased; Mary L., wife of William Kennedy, of Allegheny; Joseph, and Margaret A., wife of William Cummin, of Allegheny. Mr. Bartley was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a supporter of the Democratic party.

William J. Bartley was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1840, and was seventeen years of age when his parents settled in Oakland township. He remained on the farm until September, 1864, when he enlisted in Company K, Fifth Pennsylvania Artillery. His command went to Camp Wright, thence to Washington, and guarded the Orange and Alexandria railroad until going into winter quarters at Fairfax Court House. The following spring his company was sent to the battle field of Bull Run, and detailed to bury the remains of the soldiers who fell in that fight. He was honorably discharged at Vienna, Virginia, July 2, 1865, and returned to his home. Mr. Bartley was married October 18, 1866, to Emeline Mellinger, a daughter of Lewis S. Mellinger, of Oakland township, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Harry M.; William D.; Lewis S., deceased; James L, and Zetta V. In the spring of 1877 he purchased the Robert Bartley farm in Buffalo township, upon which he has since resided. Politically, Mr. Bartley is a Democrat, and is secretary of the school board of his township. Like his parents, he is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of that denomination.

Alexander Watson was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, October 10, 1810, a son of Alexander Watson, who was born in the same place, in 1780. His father married Agnes Richardson, a daughter of Thomas Richardson, who bore him seven children, viz.: Mary, who married James McNish; Isabel; Sarah, who married James Carter; Agnes, who married Samuel Smith; William; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Andrew Raney, and Alexander, all of whom are dead. The subject of this sketch learned the blacksmith's trade in his native land, which he followed in connection with farming. In 1834 he married Elizabeth Arnot, a daughter of James Arnot, of Scotland, and became the father of five children, as follows: John A.; William; Alexander; Thomas, deceased, and Isabella, wife of John Myers, of Buffalo township. In 1849 Mr. Watson immigrated to Butler county, and purchased a farm of eighty-four acres in Buffalo township, upon which he lived for twenty-five years. He then purchased a home in Monroeville, where his wife died on April 15, 1892. He was one of the oldest citizens in the county at the time of his death, August 17, 1894. He was a member of the Freeport Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican.

John A. Watson, son of Alexander and Elizabeth Watson, was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, January 27, 1836, left Scotland when nine years old and came to Butler county with his parents. On October 31, 1865, he married Mary A. Roney, a daughter of James M. Roney, of Buffalo township, and is the father of the following children: James A.; William J. C.; Josiah M., deceased; Alonzo M.; Elizabeth M. W.; Jennie; Alfred D. W.; Mary A. (the last three mentioned are dead), and David M. Mr. Watson followed agriculture until 1868, when he embarked in merchandising at Sarversville, where he continued in business for four years. He afterwards carried on a general feed store at Greece City, and was also engaged in contracting. He then removed to

Sciota county, Ohio, remained there three years, and returned to Butler county, and purchased ninety-five acres of land in Buffalo township, upon which he has since resided. In July, 1861, he enlisted in Company A, Fourth United States Cavalry, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and participated in the following battles: Bull Run, Yorktown, Williamsburg, West Point, Hanover Court House, Fair Oaks, Mechanicsville, Peach Orchard, Gaines Mill, White Oak Swamp, Nelson's Farm, Malvern Hill, South Mountain, Antietam, Hickory Gap, Savage Station, Ashby's Gap, Fredericksburg, Snow Hill Farm, Franklin, Middleton, Lebanon, Sparta, Chickamauga, Oklona, and Shelbyville. He was honorably discharged at Kenesaw Mountain, July 1, 1864, and returned to his home. He is a member of the Freeport Post, Number 210, G. A. R., and also of Butler Camp, Number 45, U. V. L. Mr. Watson is an elder in the Presbyterian church, has filled the office of school director in his township, and in politics, he is a Republican. He is one of the worthy and progressive citizens of his township.

David L. Hoover was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, in 1807, eldest son of John Hoover of that county, who came of German ancestry. When our subject was quite young his parents removed to Armstrong county, where he was reared upon a farm. He there married Mary Myers, a daughter of Nicholas Myers, who became the mother of five children, viz.: George F., of Washington township; Emily, widow of John Phillips; Sarah, wife of Thomas Brown; Nicholas M., of Butler, and Albert M., of Parker. In 1842 Mr. Hoover removed with his family to Buffalo township, Butler county, purchased a farm of eighty-seven acres, and spent the remaining years of his life thereon. He died in January, 1892. He was a member of the Lutheran church of Freeport, and in politics, a stanch adherent of the Republican party.

John McIntyre was born in the town of Stranraain, Wigtonshire, Scotland, October 23, 1823, and is a son of William McIntyre, a native of the same place, born February 17, 1778. His father was a cooper and farmer, and married Mary McNish, a daughter of William McNish, the postmaster of the town, April 9, 1801. They became the parents of eleven children, viz.: Jane, deceased; William, deceased; Jane; Margaret, who married Anthony Douglass; James; Jessie, who married Henry Camp; Mary A., deceased wife of Robert Henderson; Carolina, deceased; John; Archibald C. F., and Caroline A. E. The family immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1832, and settled in Armstrong county, where the father purchased 300 acres of land. He cleared and improved this property, and resided upon it down to his death, January 15, 1851. His wife survived him twenty-nine years, dying February 9, 1880. The subject of this sketch came with his parents to Armstrong county, and was reared upon the homestead farm. In 1851 he settled upon his present farm in Buffalo township, Butler county, and on March 2, 1852, was married to Mary J. Miller, a daughter of Nathaniel Miller, of Harrison township, Allegheny county. Four children have been born to this union, viz.: Nathaniel; Mary, wife of David H. Easley; Jennie A., wife of Washington B. Alter, and Caroline A. E. Mr. McIntyre is an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has served in the office of school director nine years, and has also been assessor, collector, and supervisor in his township.

NATHANIEL MCINTYRE was born in Buffalo township, Butler county, May 20, 1853, and is the only son of John and Mary J. McIntyre. He received a common school education, and afterwards attended the Freeport Academy. On May 20, 1879, he married Mary E. McLaughlin, a daughter of George McLaughlin, of Clarion county, and has two children, Alva M. and John N. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and has been the choir leader for twenty years.

JOHN BRICKER was born in South Buffalo township, Armstrong county, June 15, 1824, son of John and Isabel Bricker, of that county. His father was born in Armstrong county in 1793, was married in 1815, and reared a family of ten children, as follows: Elizabeth, who married John Trimble; Martha, who married John Holmes; Nicholas; James; David; John; Samuel; William; Harvey, and Hiram. Mr. Bricker died in 1875, and his wife the following year. They were members of the Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was reared upon a farm and learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed in connection with agriculture. He came to Butler county in the spring of 1855, and settled in Buffalo township in 1857, purchasing the Pugh farm, consisting of 109 acres, upon which he now resides. Mr. Bricker was married October 5, 1845, to Agnes Hesselgesser, a daughter of William Hesselgesser, of Winfield township. Nine children were born to this union, as follows: Murphy L.; Josephine, wife of J. S. Frantz; Anna J., wife of James W. Miller; Perry B.; Alzina; John T.; William L.; Hiram C., and McCurdy. Mr. Bricker is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, is a Republican in politics, and has filled the offices of road commissioner, supervisor, overseer of the poor, etc. He is one of the well known farmers of Buffalo township.

JOSEPH WESTERMAN was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1819, came to New York in 1836, and there learned the carpenter's trade. He subsequently removed to Sharpsburg, Pennsylvania, and afterwards to Etna, and worked at his trade in both places. In 1839 he married Catherine Shultz, a daughter of George Shultz, to which union were born eleven children, viz.: John C., and Joseph, both deceased; Magdalene, wife of Peter Redfox; Louisa, deceased; Charles; Daniel, deceased; William; Frederick; Lida, wife of William Ehrman; Mary E., wife of Gilmore Clark, and Annie H., who married Albert Cruikshank, and subsequently Daniel Miller. In 1848 Mr. Westerman came to Butler county and settled in Buffalo township, where he owned 165 acres of land. He resided there until his death, March 2, 1873. His widow resides with her son Samuel. Mr. Westerman was a member of the Evangelical church, and a class leader in that society. In politics, he was a Republican.

SAMUEL WESTERMAN, son of Joseph and Catherine Westerman, was born upon the homestead in Buffalo township, November 17, 1853. He was reared to manhood on the farm, and received a common school education. On November 12, 1875, he married Elizabeth Eslep, a daughter of William Eslep, of Allegheny county. Eight children have been born to this marriage, as follows: Minnie E., deceased; Joseph W.; Emma M.; Raymond C.; Elmer W.; Edward S., deceased; Edna I., and Ralph Albert. Mr. Westerman is a Republican, and is

a school director, and also collector in his township. He resides upon the old homestead, and is a good, practical farmer.

A. W. LEASURE, merchant, was born in Winfield township, Butler county, in 1854, son of William and Ellen (Hazlett) Leasure. He was educated in the public schools, and afterwards learned boat building at McKeesport, and followed that business in connection with the carpenter's trade for twelve years. In 1893 he located at Monroeville and engaged in merchandising, which he has conducted up to the present. In 1894 he was appointed postmaster of Silverville, established the same year. Mr. Leasure married Alice Young, of Armstrong county, and has four children, viz.: Charles M.; Nellie J.; Effie M., and John M. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the U. C. and J. of A.

CONRAD NOLF was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1790, and there grew to maturity. His mother dying when he was quite young, he was adopted by Christian Stenninger, with whom he remained until manhood. In 1813 he married Susannah George, of Northampton county, who became the mother of fourteen children, ten of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Farion, who married Susannah Toomas; Fayette, who married Daniel Brocius; Aaron, who married Sarah King; Susannah, who married Mathew Humphrey; William, who married Angelina Bohlen; Anthony, who married Martha Roland; Elizabeth, who married William Rowley; Emma, who married Michael Truby; Christina, who married Lewis Foster, and Sarah, who married Emil Wickenhagen. All are now deceased except Aaron, William and Anthony. In 1815 Mr. Nolf purchased 200 acres of land in Jefferson county, upon which he remained twenty-eight years, and then located at Freeport, where he carried on the hotel and lumber business for two years, then removed to Cook county, Illinois, and two years later returned to Freeport. His wife died in 1869. He finally took up his residence with his son William in Buffalo township, Butler county, where he died May 12, 1883. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and filled the offices of elder and deacon in that society. Politically, he was a Republican, and served as a school director and supervisor.

WILLIAM NOLF, son of Conrad and Susannah Nolf, was born in Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1826. He was reared on the farm, and followed lumbering with his father. In 1843 he located at Freeport, where he married Angelina Bohlen, a daughter of Edward Bohlen, December 16, 1852. Five children were born to this union, four or whom are living, viz.: Mary E.; Margaret B.; William R., and Angie L. In 1862 Mr. Nolf purchased his father's saw mill at Freeport, and in 1868 he bought the Buckley farm, in Buffalo township, Butler county, containing 120 acres, upon which he now resides, and dealt extensively in grain and hay for a number of years. He is a member of the Lutheran church, in which he is a trustee and member of the council, and has served as deacon for ten years. In politics, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director, collector and assessor.

WILLIAM M. RALSTON was born in South Buffalo township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, February 18, 1861, son of Joseph W., and Isabel Ralston, of that county. His father was born at Slate Lick, Armstrong county, in 1826, was a school teacher for many years, and afterwards a farmer. In 1849 he went

to California, remaining there until 1854, then returned to Armstrong county and purchased the Clapole farm, in North Buffalo township. He sold this in 1859, purchased a farm in South Buffalo township, which he afterwards disposed of and bought another at Mackville, where he now resides. Joseph W. Ralston and Isabel Miller, daughter of William Miller, of North Buffalo township, Armstrong county, were married on May 20, 1856, and are the parents of nine children, six of whom survive, viz.: John J., a United Presbyterian minister; William M.; Harry W.; Edward L.; James C., and Carrie. Mr. Ralston is now serving as a justice of the peace, and is a member of the school board. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was reared and educated in his native county, and has always followed farming. In 1885 he purchased the Weaver farm in Buffalo township, Butler county, containing 187 acres, upon which he has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Ralston was married on September 9, 1886, to Sarah A. Sarver, a daughter of John Sarver, of Buffalo township, and has four children, viz.: James H.; Edna M.; Phoebe B., and Alice B. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and politically a Republican.

John Mangold was born in Germany in 1829, there grew to maturity and followed the business of a stonecutter and contractor. He came to Pennsylvania in early manhood, and settled in Buffalo township, Butler county, where he followed his trade until 1870, in which year he embarked in the grocery business at Freeport. He died in that borough in October, 1870, and his wife in 1873. He was married in 1853, and was the father of six children, as follows: Henry W.; Christian; John; Peter; George J., and Louisa, who married J. C. Wyle. Mr. Mangold was a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

John J. Randolph was born in Patterson, New Jersey, in 1816, a son of Samuel F. Randolph, and a descendant of John Randolph of Roanoake. His father married Nancy Girard, of New Jersey, and reared seven children, viz.: Abraham; Charlotte; John; Mary; David; Sarah, and William. Samuel F. Randolph was postmaster of Liberty, Pennsylvania, for several years, and in politics, was an adherent of the Democratic party. Both he and wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and died in 1872, and in 1882, respectively. The subject of this sketch learned the shoemaker's trade with his father, and in 1841, was married to Mary A. Shaffer, a daughter of John Shaffer, of Westmoreland county, where he now resides. He is the father of seven children, as follows: William; Samuel F.; Amanda; John J.; Emma; Charles J., and Nancy. In politics, Mr. Randolph is a Democrat, and is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Charles J. Randolph, youngest son of John J. and Mary A. Randolph, was born in Westmoreland county, October 31, 1855, attended the common schools, and learned the printer's trade. On January 21, 1875, he married Henrietta Hoffman, a daughter of Philip Hoffman of Westmoreland county, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Jacob; Emma; Walter; Ida, deceased, and Grace. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Randolph is a Democrat. In September, 1891, he purchased the

old Johnson farm in Buffalo township, Butler county, containing fifty acres, upon which he has since resided.

PATRICK GRAHAM, a native of Ireland, was no doubt the first settler in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He immigrated to Westmoreland county, there married Elizabeth McKee, came to Butler county in 1796, and erected a cabin upon a tract of land which he had previously selected in what is now Jefferson township. He then returned for his wife, Elizabeth, and three children, Rosanna, Joseph and Daniel, whom he brought on pack horses to his new home in the unbroken forest of Butler county. Including the children born in Westmoreland county, the following are the names of their family: Rosanna, who married Alexander Martin; Joseph; Daniel, who settled in Brady township, and there died; Patrick, born upon the homestead May 25, 1798, the first white child born in Jefferson township, and resided upon the same until his death; Elizabeth, who married James Pryor; James, who settled in Mercer county, and died there; John, who died in Connoquenessing township, was a merchant at Whitestown, and Harrison who located in Beaver county. Though not a large man, Patrick Graham possessed a strong and vigorous constitution, a tireless energy, and wonderful endurance. He died in 1844, at the remarkable age of ninety-seven years.

JOSEPH GRAHAM, eldest son of Patrick and Elizabeth Graham, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1794, and was about three years old when his parents came to Butler county. His youth was passed amidst pioneer scenes, and he grew up inured to the hardships and privations of that period. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and served as a major in the early militia. After arriving at maturity he located upon the farm now owned by H. Kirchner. He married Elizabeth Freyer, who died without issue, and he subsequently married Nancy Thompson, to whom were born four children, as follows: Robert T.; Elizabeth; James, who served in the Mexican war and also in the Rebellion, and Esther. Mrs. Graham died, and he was again married, to Margaret Balph, who became the mother of eight children, viz.: William B.; Rebecca J., wife of Thomas McConnell; Joseph; George K.; Susan, wife of John M. Stark; Margaret, who married Matthew McKane; Eli, and Nancy E., wife of William S. Bartley. Joseph Graham died May 4, 1880, and his wife August 7, 1890. Both he and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, in which he was an elder. Mr. Graham was a Democrat, served one term as county commissioner, and three terms as a justice of the peace of Jefferson township.

WILLIAM B. GRAHAM, eldest in the family of Joseph and Margaret (Balph) Graham, was born upon the homestead farm, in Jefferson township, February 2, 1837, was reared a farmer, and subsequently learned the carpenter's trade, which he has followed in connection with agriculture. He was married February 8, 1864, to Eliza J. Bartley, a daughter of Joseph Bartley, of Penn township, where the family settled at an early day. They are the parents of the following children: Agnes R., wife of James Sefton; Margaret C., wife of J. H. McKeever; Mary E., wife of S. N. Shaw; Emma L., wife of Thomas Harbison; Joseph L., who married Lizzie Covert; William F.; George R., and John H. Mr. Graham and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church,

and in politics, he is a Democrat. He has filled the office of school director, and takes a commendable interest in educational affairs.

THOMAS WELSH, SR., was a native of Londonderry, Ireland, and immigrated to the United States about 1798. His father, William Welsh, was a man of wealth and prominence, but in aiding friends he lost the most of his property, and Thomas was obliged to seek his own fortune. He learned the baker's trade in his native land, and upon reaching Philadelphia he readily found employment at his trade. Possessing industrious and thrifty habits, he soon saved sufficient means to start in business for himself, and by strict attention he became in a few years the head of a prosperous business establishment. About 1810 he married Elizabeth Welsh, a native of Derry county, Ireland, and she became the mother of twelve children. After a prosperous business career of twenty years, and having a large family, Mr. Welsh decided to remove to Butler county, where he purchased 4,500 acres of land in Jefferson township, to which he brought his family in 1819, coming the whole distance with a team of horses through a trackless forest. He settled near the southeast corner of the township, on the farm where his grandson, John Welsh, now lives, and resided there until his death, which occurred in 1853, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, in which denomination he filled the office of elder. He was a man of powerful physique, peaceable and kindly in disposition, and was much esteemed for his charity, and genial, pleasant manner.

GEORGE WELSH was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 5, 1812, and was in his eighth year when his parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Welsh, settled in Butler county. He lived at home until the age of twenty-three years, obtaining such an education as the pioneer schools afforded, and then commenced business for himself. In 1845 he built a saw mill on the creek and soon afterwards a gristmill, at what is now known as Frazier's Mills, which he carried on for several years in connection with the lumber trade. In 1835 he married Jane Davis, a daughter of John Davis, a native of Ireland, who died in Jefferson township, in 1853. Nine children were born to this marriage, as follows: Matilda, wife of Arthur Turner; Thomas; John; Joseph, who was a member of Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in 1872; Eliza, wife of Thomas W. Frazier; Emily, deceased; Elvira; Rebecca, deceased, and Sarah, wife of John Walker. In 1859 Mr. Welsh located in Allegheny City, for the purpose of educating his children, and was employed by the government in the custom house for four years. In 1862, when Governor Curtin called for troops to repel Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania, Mr. Welsh, though exempt by age from military duty, was among the first to respond to the call. He joined the Eighteenth regiment, and went to the front, thus displaying that undaunted patriotism which is a distinguishing mark of the Celtic race. In 1863 he returned to Jefferson township, where he has since been engaged in farming. He owns 450 acres of the original lands purchased by his father, and has been one of the most successful agriculturists in the county. Mr. Welsh has been a life-long Democrat, and cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson. Like his father, he is a man of powerful physique and robust constitution. He is a genial, pleasant and intelligent gentleman, and has always occupied a leading position

James Walker

among the representative farmers of Butler county. Though in his eighty-third year, he is still hale and vigorous, and with the exception of being afflicted with partial blindness, he is as happy and bright as if in the prime of manhood.

JOHN WELSH, JR., was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, March 4, 1839, and is the second son of George and Jane (Davis) Welsh. He has always resided upon his present homestead of 100 acres, a part of the original purchase of his grandfather, Thomas Welsh, excepting the few years his father lived in Allegheny. He was educated at the Pittsburg public schools, and since his father returned to Jefferson township he has been engaged in farming. He was married January 29, 1869, to Sarah Ann Welsh, a daughter of Thomas and Anna Eliza (McKenzie) Welsh. Her father was an uncle of her husband's, was a farmer, owning 400 acres of land adjoining that of George Welsh, but subsequently operated a linseed oil mill in Pittsburg for twenty-five years. Her mother was a daughter of Alexander McKenzie, a Scotchman, who first located on the Island of Jamaica, where he had a sugar and coffee plantation. He sold his property and came to the United States with the intention of buying land, but his family never heard of him again and it was supposed that he was murdered. In 1815 his wife and family came to Philadelphia, where they resided for some time, coming to Butler county about the year 1820. Mrs. Anna Eliza Welsh died in 1850, and her husband, Thomas Welsh, in 1883. Mrs. John Welsh was born December 16, 1837, and is the mother of seven children, five of whom are living, viz.: Charles C.; Jennie F., wife of Theo. H. Stepp; Frank J.; Annie E., and George M. Mr. Welsh is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

JOHN WELSH, SR., was a native of Ireland, who immigrated to Philadelphia with his family early in the present century. He had learned the baker's trade in his native land, and soon after coming to Philadelphia he established himself in that business, and carried it on for many years. He was a brother of Thomas Welsh, Sr., and in 1821 came to Butler county and purchased 300 acres of land from his brother, located in what is now Jefferson township. Thomas had settled here two years previous, and bought a large tract of land, a portion of which he sold to John. The latter remained on this farm until his death, and both he and wife are buried in this township. He married Bathia Marshall, and reared a family of two sons and five daughters, as follows: William; Thomas; Sarah; Margaret; Rebecca; Elizabeth, and Martha.

THOMAS WELSH, son of John and Bathia Welsh, was born in Ireland, May 5, 1802, and came with his parents to Philadelphia when about eight years old. He was reared in that city, and was nineteen years of age when his father located in Butler county. He married Mary Cunningham, a daughter of James Cunningham, of Lancaster county, who settled in Penn township, Butler county, upon a tract of 300 acres, early in the present century. James Cunningham was a son of Matthew Cunningham, also an early settler of Butler county. Thomas erected a saw mill in 1830, on Thorn creek, near Jefferson Centre, and continued in the lumber business in connection with agriculture until his death, January 7, 1858. His sons, James C., Loyal Y., and William J., are residents of this township. Both he and wife were consistent members of the Presbyterian church

of Butler. He was elected an elder in 1839. Politically, Mr. Welsh was a stanch Democrat, filled the office of school director in his township, and served as commissioner of the county.

WILLIAM J. WELSH was born upon the homestead in Jefferson township, Butler county, September 3, 1847, son of Thomas and Mary (Cunningham) Welsh. He was reared a farmer, and inherited 120 acres of the old homestead, upon which he now resides. On May 10, 1878, he married Julia A. Patterson, a daughter of William R. Patterson, of Penn township, and has a family of four children, viz.: William P.; Ada B.; Thomas M., and Clarence. Mr. Welsh and wife are members of Jefferson Summit Presbyterian church, in which he was elected an elder in 1894. In politics, he is a Republican, and has filled the office of school director for fifteen years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., both the Lodge and Encampment.

THOMAS FRAZIER was born in Armagh county, Ireland, in August, 1801, son of James Frazier, a native of Scotland, born in 1773. His father married Elizabeth McCarroll, to whom were born six children: Arthur; James; Archibald; Nancy, who married James Turner; Thomas, and Mary, who married Arthur Frazier. The father died in 1827, and the mother many years before. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native land, and followed farming as a vocation. He married Alice Thompson, a daughter of William Thompson of Armagh county, Ireland, to which union were born the following children: James; George T.; Samuel J.; Andrew; Thomas W.; David, and Hance M., the last two of whom are dead. George T., and Thomas W., served in the Seventh Pennsylvania Cavalry. Mr. Frazier immigrated to Carroll county, Ohio, in 1832, and some years later settled in Butler township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, resided there until 1857, and then located in Jefferson township, purchasing from George Welsh what is now known as the Frazier mill property. Here he died in April, 1876, and his wife in March, 1871. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he held the office of elder. In politics, he was a Democrat.

JAMES FRAZIER was born in Armagh county, Ireland, October 6, 1828, eldest in the family of Thomas Frazier, and came with his parents to Butler county when he was only four years of age. He grew to maturity in this county, received a common school education, and is now engaged in farming in Clay township. He was married April 10, 1851, to Isabella Gilliland, a daughter of John Gilliland of Summit township, to which union were born the following children: John G.; Thomas A.; Alice J., who married William Sterling; Elizabeth; Robert A.; Margaret, wife of Henry George; James E.; Maria A., wife of Edward Pogue, and Isabella, deceased. In 1886 Mr. Frazier located in Clay township, where he purchased the Brown farm. His wife died April 5, 1874, and in 1882 he married Sarah Allen, of Lawrence county. Mr. Frazier is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Democratic party.

THOMAS W. FRAZIER was born in Carroll county, Ohio, October 25, 1839, son of Thomas and Alice (Thompson) Frazier. He came with his parents to this county, and in September, 1861, he enlisted in Company C, Seventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga and

Atlanta, was taken prisoner at Thompson Station, October 1, 1864, and confined in rebel prisons for ten months. He returned to Butler county in July, 1865, but his health was so shattered from long confinement that he did not recover for nearly two years. Mr. Frazier made a good war record, has always been a stanch Democrat, and gives his unswerving support to the principles of that party. He is a member of the U. V. L., and is also connected with the Masonic order. He was married July 18, 1868, to Eliza Welsh, a daughter of George Welsh. She was born in Jefferson township, September 24, 1844, and has one daughter, Bettie, wife of F. J. Byers. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church.

THOMAS A. FRAZIER, second son of James and Isabella Frazier, was born in Butler township, Butler county, April 8, 1852, and has always resided in his native county and in the city of Allegheny. He worked for six years at the milling business, was subsequently engaged, as a contractor, in the plastering business, and for the last nine years he has devoted his attention to operating in oil and gas, his present fields being at Belmont, Virginia, Jefferson Centre and Coylesville, Butler county, and Port Royal, Westmoreland county. He controls 12,000 acres of leaseholds, and is quite an extensive operator. Mr. Frazier was married December 22, 1874, to Harriet R. Bicket, a daughter of Matthew Bicket, of Clinton township, and they are the parents of the following children: Nettie J.; Eugene G., deceased; Chauncy E.; Howard M., deceased; Frank; Elva; Bessie; Hazel, and Hattie. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he is a stanch Democrat. He is now filling the office of school director, and has always taken a deep interest in public affairs.

JOHN WALKER was a native of Scotland, there grew to manhood, and married Esther McMillan, and about 1843 they immigrated to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. They lived in that county for several years, and came to Butler county in 1860, where they purchased a farm of eighty-five acres in Clinton township, where Mr. Walker resided until his death, August 15, 1892. His widow still resides upon the homestead. They were the parents of six children, three of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Mary, who married Jonathan Grinder, of Venango county, and died September 10, 1878; James, and John, the latter residing with his mother. Mr. Walker was a member of the Presbyterian church, to which denomination his widow also belongs.

JAMES WALKER was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1857, eldest son of John and Esther Walker. He resided with his parents until 1876, when he purchased his present farm of 100 acres, in Jefferson township, upon which he now resides. He has given considerable attention to the importing and breeding of fine stock, and claims to have imported the first Clydesdale horses from Great Britain brought to Butler county. On December 20, 1879, Mr. Walker married Harriet Maizland, a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Seif) Maizland, the former of Scotch and the latter of German descent. Her grandfather, George Maizland, was a native of Scotland, and settled in Butler county in 1857. Mrs. Walker is the mother of four children, viz.: Alonzo E., born September 17, 1880; Ida Marian, November 20, 1883; Hattie E., November 12, 1887, and Paul M., October 1, 1891. Politically, Mr. Walker is a Dem-

ocrat, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Clinton township.

JOHN BURTNER was a native of Clinton township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. His parents came from Berks county late in the Eighteenth century and settled on 200 acres of land, now known as the Krumpe farm, in Clinton township. The family are of German origin, and were among the organizers of the German Lutheran church at Saxonburg. John Burtner was the father of five sons and five daughters, viz.: Jacob; Philip; William; Daniel; Andrew; Barbara; Betsy; Catherine; Polly, and Christina. Philip grew to manhood in Clinton township, served as a soldier in the War of 1812, and married Ellen Gallagher, a native of Ireland, whose parents were among the earliest settlers of this locality. They reared five children, as follows: John; Peter; Philip; William, and Mrs. Fannie Haslett. The father died in 1828.

PHILIP BURTNER, son of Philip and Ellen Burtner, was born July 3, 1820, in Clinton township, Butler county, within one mile of his present residence. When he arrived at the age of twenty years he commenced working on the Pennsylvania canal, and finally became captain of a boat. He afterwards engaged in farming, which vocation he has since followed. In 1842 he married Rebecca Shobert, a daughter of John Shobert, of Luzerne county, who served as a soldier in the War of 1812. They are the parents of ten children, as follows: Henry; John; Mary; Helen; Eliza; Nettie; Rebecca; Fannie; Anna, and Edward. The last two named are dead. The eight surviving members of this family are heads of families. Mrs. Burtner is a member of the Baptist church. Since 1847 Mr. Burtner has been connected with the I. O. O. F., and is one of the highly respected citizens of the community.

ISAAC P. BURTNER was born near Tarentum, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, June 10, 1849, son of Jacob and Martha (Byerly) Burtner, the former a native of Allegheny county, and the latter of Buffalo township, Butler county, where her father, Jacob Byerly, settled at an early day. Philip Burtner, grandfather of Isaac P., came from eastern Pennsylvania to Allegheny county in 1802, and located three miles north of Tarentum, in Harrison township, his farm being three miles from the Butler county line. Jacob and Martha Burtner were the parents of eleven children, eight of whom grew to man and womanhood, as follows: John N., who served in the Rebellion one year; Margaret; Isaac P.; Harmon; Henry; Lavina; Wilhelmina, and Luther. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native county, and followed the coal trade for some years. In 1882 he purchased a farm in Jefferson township, Butler county, upon which he has since erected substantial buildings and made many other improvements. He was married July 22, 1874, to Amanda Singer, daughter of David and Amanda (Bole) Singer, of Armstrong county. Her father was a carpenter, and was reared in Armstrong county, where the family were early settlers. He died in 1862, aged fifty-two years. Her only brother, Donald, was a soldier in the Rebellion for nearly two years. Mr. Burtner is the father of five children, as follows: Roy; Dorcy; Ethel; Forest, and Claire. Mr. Burtner is a Republican, and is one of the progressive citizens of the township.

Isaac Lefever, Sr., was a native of France, who settled in the present township of Winfield, Butler county, Pennsylvania, early in the century. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, serving with the troops from western Pennsylvania. He reared a family of six children, as follows: Samuel; Isaac; Joseph; Jesse; Nancy, and Mary. The parents and all of their children, excepting Jesse, removed to Ohio at an early day, where they spent the balance of their lives.

Jesse Lefever was a native of eastern Pennsylvania, there learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in Pittsburg, whence he came to Butler county and purchased a farm near Hannahstown, in Buffalo township, where he died soon afterwards. He married Catherine Stepp, a daughter of Bernard Stepp, of Buffalo township, and was the father of four children, as follows: John; Levi; Isaac, and Elizabeth, deceased. Mr. Lefever died in 1826, and his widow married James Martin, of Donegal township.

Isaac Lefever, youngest son of Jesse and Catherine (Stepp) Lefever, was born in Butler county, June 30, 1822, was reared upon a farm, and has always been engaged in agriculture. On November 23, 1845, he married Hannah Cooper, a daughter of William Cooper, a pioneer of Jefferson township, who served in the War of 1812. Seven children have been born to this union, as follows: Catherine, who married Joseph Moser; William J., and Eliza J., both deceased; Isaac S., who married Maggie Snyder; Lydia E., wife of James Gibson; David W., who married Jennie G. Negley, a daughter of Felix H. Negley, and Susan Belle, wife of A. D. Sutton. In 1846 Mr. Lefever purchased the farm upon which he now resides, not an acre of it being then improved, and now owns over 200 acres of land containing first class improvements. He is a Democrat, in politics, and the family are members of St. Luke Lutheran church of Saxonburg.

Joseph Logan, Sr., came to Penn township, Butler county, in 1807, and settled upon a farm of 300 acres purchased from his parents, Thomas and Agnes Logan, natives of Ireland, who immigrated to Pennsylvania with their family about 1798, and settled in Lancaster county. Thomas purchased the land in 1804 from Edward Burd, the original owner, but did not settle upon it. Joseph brought his wife, Elizabeth, from Pittsburg to his home in the forest of Butler county, and both resided here until their decease. He died in July, 1839; his wife survived him eleven years, dying in August, 1850. The names of their children are as follows: David; Levi; Joseph; Nancy; Isabel; Mary; Barbara, and Elizabeth.

David Logan, eldest son of Joseph and Elizabeth Logan, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1802, and came with his parents to Penn township when about five years of age. He grew to manhood in this county, and purchased 225 acres of land in Jefferson township, now known as the Logan homestead, upon which he made the first improvements. To this he afterwards added 125 acres, and resided upon this farm the remainder of his life. He married Eliza Davis, to which union were born nine children, as follows: Nancy J., deceased; John; Joseph; Levi; Baxter; Samuel; Matilda; Calvin, and Eliza B. Four of the sons, John, Levi, Baxter and Samuel, served in the Rebellion, Sam-

uel being killed at Plymouth. Mrs. Logan died in 1856, and he then married Mrs. Mary Ann Cox, nee Sefton, who bore him two children, viz.: David H., and Edward P. His third wife was Nancy Cox, who died in 1892. Mr. Logan was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican, and filled the office of justice of the peace for many years. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and was one of the founders of the Clinton and Shiloh churches. He died February 1, 1878, aged seventy-five years.

JOSEPH LOGAN, second son of David and Eliza (Davis) Logan, was born upon the homestead farm, in Jefferson township, March 2, 1835, was reared a farmer, and was engaged in agriculture until his death, May 17, 1894. In 1866 he purchased a portion of his late homestead, to which he added, until he owned about 190 acres, containing one of the finest residences in the township, erected in 1892. Mr. Logan was married February 23, 1860, to Amelia Hartman, a daughter of Joseph Hartman, who settled quite early on a part of the homestead. Six children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Clara M., wife of G. W. Maurhoff; Anna L., wife of George Ralshouse; Melinda M., wife of George Baughman; Eliza, wife of Amos Graff; Emma, and Milton. Mr. Logan was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran church, to which society his widow belongs. He was a Republican, was tax collector of his township for two terms, and also filled the office of school director.

CALVIN LOGAN, youngest son of David and Eliza (Davis) Logan, was born upon his father's farm in Jefferson township, Butler county, July 17, 1845. He was reared in his native township, received a common school education, and settled upon fifty acres of the old homestead, which he has since improved, erecting thereon a fine residence in 1887. On October 19, 1876, he married Mary J. Hazlett, a daughter of Lewis and Vieanna (Morehead) Hazlett, early settlers of Winfield township. Mrs. Logan was born September 26, 1851, and is the mother of four children, as follows: Oro Neta, born July 27, 1878; Elva Vieanna, July 26, 1880; Tillie Zetta, September 6, 1881, and Zella Marie, June 6, 1892. The parents are members of the Presbyterian church, in which he holds an official position. Politically, Mr. Logan is a Republican.

DAVID H. LOGAN was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, July 14, 1858, son of David and Mrs. Mary Ann (Cox *nee* Sefton) Logan. He was reared upon his father's farm in his native township and received a common school education. In 1865 his father purchased a part of the old Jacob Mechling farm, of 125 acres, which David H. now owns. In 1890 he erected thereon a fine residence and has made many other commendable improvements. Mr. Logan was married January 20, 1881, to Martha B. Cook, a daughter of 'Squire Cook, of Allegheny county, where she was born April 10, 1859. They are the parents of four sons, as follows: Harvey W., born December 18, 1881; Clifford G., June 14, 1883; Earl R., May 22, 1890, and Elery R., February 5, 1892. Mr. Logan is a stanch Republican, and both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

LEVI LOGAN, second son of Joseph Logan, Sr., was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and came with his parents to Penn township, Butler county. He learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed in connection

with farming in this township. In 1837 he married Mary Davis, a daughter of John Davis, of Clinton township, to which union were born eight children: Elizabeth, who was twice married, first to William Lambie, and afterwards to Mr. McLaughlin; Joseph D.; Sarah, who married James Williamson; John R.; Benjamin; William; Levi, and David. Mr. Logan was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat. He died August 14, 1871, and his wife, February 10, 1891.

Joseph D. Logan, eldest son of Levi Logan, was born in the borough of Butler, January 22, 1839, received a common school education, and was reared to farm life. In 1862 he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered into the service at Harrisburg, then went to Washington, D. C., and was stationed at Camp Hammond. From there the regiment proceeded to Antietam, then went into camp at Stony Hill, next to Washington City, was then moved to Benning's Bridge, on the East Branch of the Potomac, and then to Aquia creek, Virginia. The regiment next moved to Fredericksburg, thence to Belle Plain, and served in the second battle of Fredericksburg, where they encamped until mustered out of the service. Mr. Logan was married November 24, 1864, to Mary J., daughter of Samuel Marshall, of Middlesex township. They are the parents of five children, as follows: Eva, wife of John Monks; one died in infancy; Clara; Ella, and Bertha. Politically, Mr. Logan is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Benjamin B. Logan was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1844, and is a son of Levi and Mary (Davis) Logan, and grandson of Joseph Logan, one of the early settlers of Penn township. He was reared upon his father's farm, from whom he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he worked at for twenty years, in connection with farming. In 1869 he was married to Mary Black, a daughter of Robert Black, of Middlesex township, and is the father of the following children: Robert; Frank H.; Jennie L.; Antoinette; Samuel P.; John, and Jessie, deceased. Mr. Logan is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Democratic party. He was supervisor of his township for four terms, and always takes an active interest in public matters.

John Knoch was born in Saxony, Germany, in 1787, grew to maturity in his native land, and there learned the blacksmith's trade. He married Johannah Hartman, a native of the same place, and immigrated to Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1837, settling on the farm now owned by their son Herman in 1838. He built a shop and engaged in blacksmithing and farming. He assisted John A. Roebling to make the first wire rope manufactured at Saxonburg, he and his son, John A., being the first and only blacksmiths in the town for many years. His wife died in 1860, aged sixty-five years; he survived until 1862, dying at the age of seventy-five. They were among the original members of the German Lutheran church of Saxonburg. They reared a family of five children, viz.: John A., deceased; Joseph, deceased; Henry; Rachel, wife of Henry Stuebgen, and Herman.

Herman Knoch was born in Saxony, Germany, in 1835, and came with his parents to Butler county when a child of two years of age. He was reared upon his father's farm, adjoining the borough of Saxonburg, and was married March 23, 1858, to Amelia Roebling, a daughter of Charles F. Roebling, a brother of John A. Roebling, the celebrated engineer and bridge builder. Her mother was Wilhelmina (Filbert) Roebling, and both were natives of Saxony, Germany. They were the first couple married at Saxonburg, where her father died in 1838, when she was only about one year old. Mr. Knoch is the father of seven children, as follows: Charles, a blacksmith; William H.; Julius, principal of a school in Arkansas; Elvira; Franklin, principal of the West Sunbury school; Edward, a teacher, and Alfred. The family are members of the German Lutheran church. Politically, Mr. Knoch is a Democrat, and has filled many of the local offices in his township. He served ten months in the Rebellion, as a member of the Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery.

William H. Knoch was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1866, son of Herman and Amelia (Roebling) Knoch, and grandson of John Knoch. His mother is a niece of the celebrated engineer John A. Roebling. He received a common school education, and followed the occupation of a driller for some years. In 1892 he began clerking for Mrs. Theodore Helmbold & Son, with whom he remained until March, 1893, when he accepted a position with Thielo Krause, which he filled until February 1, 1894, when he resumed his former occupation of driller. Mr. Knoch is one of the owners of the new Opera House, Charles Redick being his partner. He was married April 21, 1892, to Hattie Rhey, and has one child, Harold, born April 25, 1893. Politically, Mr. Knoch is a Democrat, and has filled the office of borough auditor. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, and is connected with the I. O. O. F., and the K. O. T. M.

John B. Caldwell was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, December 3, 1844, son of William and Sarah Jane (Beatty) Caldwell. His father was a native of Washington county, and a son of Dr. Joseph Caldwell, for many years one of the leading physicians of that county. Dr. Caldwell was a native of Scotland. William removed to Armstrong county, where he resided until 1839, and then located on a farm near Frazier's Mills, in Jefferson township, Butler county, where the remainder of his life was spent. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native township, and in 1866 settled upon the old Robinson farm, containing 120 acres, where he has since lived. In October, 1865, he married Nancy J. Robinson, a daughter of Joseph and Hannah J. (Ramsey) Robinson, early settlers of the township. Joseph Robinson and wife died upon that farm. Mrs. Caldwell was born in 1844, and is the mother of six children, as follows: Joseph C.; William Ellery; Sarah Bell, wife of Zeno Ziegler; Lynn; Orin, and Leverne F. In 1863 Mr. Caldwell enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served thirteen months in the Union army. Politically, he is a Republican, has been overseer of the poor in his township, and was the census enumerator in 1890. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Gottfried Reinhold was born in Saxony, Germany, February 10, 1825, son of Godfrey and Augusta (Quass) Reinhold, natives of the same place. The subject of this sketch immigrated to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1849, and one year afterwards he went to the gold fields of California, where he was engaged in mining for four years, with much success. In 1854 he returned from California to Saxonburg, Butler county, and purchased the farm upon which he now lives. It then contained fifty-nine acres, to which he has since added seventy-one acres, and is now the owner of a nicely improved place. He also owns forty-seven acres of coal land in Buffalo township and three houses in Butler borough, south side. On February 22, 1855, he married Mary Krumpe, a daughter of John M. Krumpe, a pioneer of Clinton township, born in September, 1835. Mr. Reinhold served ten months in the Rebellion, as a member of Company D, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, his term closing with the end of the war. He is the father of eight children, as follows: W. Godfrey, who married Maria Poltz; John; Herman; Edward; Mina, wife of George Freithly; Louisa, wife of John Riemer; Emma, wife of Charles Beckman, and Tillie. Mr. Reinhold is a Democrat, and the family are members of the German Lutheran church.

Richard Smalley was born in Manchester, England, September 3, 1833, son of John and Maria (Westerman) Smalley, natives of the same place. His father, who was a shoemaker, was married February 18, 1829, and emigrated to America about 1834, settling in Allegheny, where he continued to follow his trade for about twelve years. He also spent a year or more in East Liverpool, Ohio. He purchased a farm in what is now Jefferson township, to which he removed in 1844, and on which he resided until his death, September 10, 1863, aged fifty-six years. His wife died December 27, 1860, in the fifty-sixth year of her age. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, he being a regular attendant and devout member of the Knox chapel, in Winfield township, during most of his residence in this county. They were the parents of eleven children, three of whom are now living, viz.: Amelia; Elizabeth; Priscilla; Richard; Joseph; Emily; Mary Jane; William, who died in Armory Square Hospital, Washington, D. C., February 18, 1863; John D., deceased, who served three years in the war of the Rebellion; Sarah Ann, and George Henry, a successful contractor of Allegheny. The only surviving members are Priscilla, Richard and George H. The subject of this sketch resides upon the homestead farm, where he has lived since the coming of the family to Butler county. In 1858 he married Helena Hill Bicket, a daughter of Matthew and Jane (Sefton) Bicket, early settlers of Clinton township, Mr. Bicket being now over ninety years of age. Mr. Smalley has a family of four children, as follows: Matthew J., a Presbyterian minister; Ella M.; Mary E., and William H. In politics, he is a Democrat, and both himself and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church of Clinton township, in which society he fills the office of ruling elder.

Henry J. Lonitz was born in Prussia, Germany, in February, 1847, son of George and Mary (Beyer) Lonitz, natives of Prussia. The family came to the United States in August, 1852, and settled at Saxonburg, Butler county, Pennsylvania. There were two children, Henry J., and Hannah, the latter since

deceased. The father died in 1882, and the mother in 1890. Both were members of the Evangelical Protestant church. Mr. Lonitz served an apprenticeship to the carriage maker's trade, at Pittsburg, and worked at that business for twenty years. About 1881 he returned to Saxonburg, where he carried on a shop for a time. In April, 1887, he purchased the old Bauman farm, a short distance west of Saxonburg, and the following July one of the finest oil wells in that part of the county was opened up upon his farm. In September a well producing 2,600 barrels per day was brought in upon his mother's place, and altogether there have been about thirteen producing wells upon his farms. This good fortune has made him one of the prosperous citizens of the community. He is the owner of 140 acres of land, in one of the best producing oil belts of the county. On August 2, 1868, he married Caroline J. Bushman, a daughter of Frederick and Catherine Bushman, of Pittsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Lonitz are the parents of two sons and four daughters, as follows: George, born April 13, 1869; Mary, November 23, 1870, wife of William Aderhold; William, April 13, 1872; Clara, March 9, 1874; Anna, June 6, 1877, and Florence, December 23, 1887. The family are members of the Evangelical Protestant church, and politically, Mr. Lonitz is a Democrat.

Alpheus Darling, oil producer, was born in the Juniata valley, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, August 24, 1851, son of Thomas J. and Jane (Purvis) Darling, the former being at one time an oil producer on Oil creek, Venango county. He died March 22, 1883, aged sixty-six years; his widow still survives. Mr. Darling has been in the oil business since early manhood, and is the patentee of the Darling Gas Regulator, a well known invention used on gas wells. Since attaining his majority he has been in business for himself, first on Oil creek, Venango county, for thirteen years, whence he removed to Butler county, locating at Criswell, and coming to Saxonburg in 1890. He has been the owner of a number of good wells, one of which produced for a time 1,000 barrels per day, another 500 barrels, and another 100 barrels. Mr. Darling was married June 27, 1881, to Lydia Parker, a native of Armstrong county, and a daughter of James A. and Sarah A. (Hilliard) Parker, both of whom are living.

Charles F. Yaehnig was born in Saxony, Germany, in 1822, son of Carl Yaehnig, a native of the same place. Charles F. was the eldest in a family of five children, grew to maturity in his native land, and in 1854 married Christina Herold, to which union were born seven children, as follows: Charles F.; Adolph G., deceased; William A.; Mary B.; Adolph G.; Charles, and one that died in early youth. In 1867 Mr. Yaehnig immigrated to Pittsburg, whence he came to Saxonburg, Butler county, and followed cattle dealing for several years, at the end of which period he purchased the Frank farm, upon which he now resides. The family are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Yaehnig is a Democrat.

Charles F. Yaehnig, Jr., eldest in the family of Charles F. and Christina Yaehnig, was born in Frankenberg, Germany, September 11, 1855, and came with his parents to the United States in 1867. He grew to manhood in Saxonburg, and assisted his father in cattle dealing and farming. On April 20, 1882, he married Hannah B. Heller, a daughter of George J. C. Heller of Jeffer-

son township, and has four children, viz.: Albert F.; Edmund C.; Clara D., and Emma J. Mr. Yaehnig came to his present homestead in 1881, and has since devoted his attention to farming. He is a member of the Lutheran church, in which he holds the office of secretary, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

George J. C. Heller was born in Germany, December 11, 1811, was reared in his native land, and in 1835 married Sophia Neubert. Five children were born to this union, only one of whom survives, Hannah B., wife of Charles F. Yaehnig. Some years after his marriage Mr. Heller immigrated to Butler county, purchased a farm in Jefferson township, upon which he resided until his death, July 26, 1894. His wife died in 1881. Both were members of the Lutheran church, of Saxonburg, in which he had filled the office of treasurer. Politically, he was a Democrat.

Joseph L. Blakeley, son of Andrew and Sarah Jane Blakeley, was born in Forward township, Butler county, July 22, 1858, and was reared upon the homestead in that township. He followed farming until 1890, and then embarked in the grocery trade in Allegheny, which he followed for two years. In 1886 he purchased the George Mechling farm, in Jefferson township, containing 123 acres, and in 1892–93 he erected a substantial residence and has also made many other improvements. Mr. Blakeley was married May 12, 1887, to Mary A. Ziegler, and has three children, viz.: Della E.; Myrtle A., and Alvin W. Politically, he is a Republican, and both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Charles Roettig was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, October 22, 1841, son of William and Caroline Roettig nee Hoffman, natives of Germany. His father was a tanner, and worked at his trade in Pittsburg until his death, about 1846, and his mother then removed to Saxonburg, with her three sons, William J., Charles and Henry, the last mentioned being killed in 1881. The widow married Charles Kohler, and had one daughter by this union, Hedwig, wife of John Kohler, of Pittsburg. The subject of this sketch learned the shoemaker's trade, and worked at that business until 1866, when he purchased his present farm in Jefferson township, upon which he has since resided, and is quite a prosperous farmer. He was married December 27, 1867, to Paulina Krause, a sister of Thielo Krause, of Saxonburg. She was born September 4, 1844, and is the mother of four children, as follows: Hedwig, deceased; Clara; Charles R., and Alice. Politically, he is a Democrat, has filled the office of school director, and served seven years as township auditor. He was a soldier in the Rebellion, serving one year. He is connected with the I. O. O. F., being a member of both Lodge and Encampment.

Rev. Jacob Wilhelm was born in Germany August 13, 1837, and was educated for the ministry and ordained a minister of the Lutheran church. He afterwards went as a missionary to Africa, and in 1868 immigrated to Butler county and settled at Evans City, where he took charge of the Lutheran church. In 1873 he removed to Beaver county, and in 1874 to Green Oak, Allegheny county, having charge of a church in each place. In 1876 he located at White Hall, Allegheny county, as pastor of the Lutheran church at that place, but owing to ill health was unable to continue his pastorate. He then came to But-

ler county and purchased the Moser farm in Jefferson township, but subsequently removed to Sharpsburg, where he died September 8, 1888. His family returned to the homestead in Jefferson township, where they have since resided. Mr. Wilhelm was married April 28, 1868, to Fredericka Maier, a daughter of Gottlob Maier, of Kornthal, Germany. Nine children were born to this union, as follows: Gottlieb T.; Frederick P.; John P.; Emanuel J.; Clara C. M.; Martha L. D.; Emilie E. L.; Emma M. T., deceased, and Hannah J. F. Emanuel J. was kicked on the head by a horse November 28, 1894, and died December 4, following, never having fully regained consciousness. He was buried in the Hannahstown cemetery.

Gottlieb T. Wilhelm, eldest in the family of Rev. Jacob Wilhelm, was born in Evans City, Butler county, April 9, 1870, received a common school education, and since the death of his father he has been engaged in farming upon the homestead in Jefferson township. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, a Republican.

Rev. Frederick Wilhelm, director of Concordia Home, was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, July 29, 1840, son of Jacob, and Christina (Jeutter) Wilhelm, natives of the same place. He was educated in a school in his native town, and subsequently studied at a Theological Missionary Institution, at Chrischona, Switzerland. He immigrated to Michigan in 1868, and was ordained October 11th of that year. He became pastor at Albion, and subsequently at Kalamazoo, of a German Lutheran church, coming to Butler county in 1870, as pastor of the German Lutheran congregation of Jefferson township, known as St. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran church, of which he had charge for twenty-one years. He also preached at Freeport, Summit, and Little Germany, in Buffalo township, in connection with his regular pastorate. In 1891 he was elected to his present position, where he has charge of the orphans and aged people which this charitable institution succors. Mr. Wilhelm's father died in 1877, and he went to Germany and brought his mother to this country, where she spent the remaining years of her life at his home, dying in 1888. He was married June 16, 1870, to Louis Krauss, a daughter of William Krauss, a German Lutheran minister. She was born May 2, 1837, and although they have had no children, they have reared three from infancy, viz.: Philip Wilhelm, a minister of the Lutheran church, now residing in Wisconsin; Edward Hahn, a teacher, and Frederick Lang, of Sharpsburg. In politics, Mr. Wilhelm is independent, always casting his vote for those whom he regards as best fitted for the office.

Henry Hartenstein was a native of Saxony, Germany, grew to manhood in his native land, immigrated to Butler county about 1848, and settled on a farm in Jefferson township. It contained 100 acres, and was located near the center of the township. He resided upon this farm down to his death. He married Augusta Leithold, in Germany, and they were the parents of four children, as follows: Herman, a steel worker in Ohio; Lewis, of Great Belt; Caroline, wife of Fred Wetzel, of Jefferson township, and Henrietta, widow of Jacob Beck. The parents were members of the German Lutheran church, and both died in December, 1892.

Lewis Hartenstein, merchant, was born upon the homestead farm, in Jefferson township, Butler county, in 1848, son of Henry and Augusta Hartenstein. He remained with his parents until 1873, when he embarked in merchandising at Great Belt, where he has continued to carry on business up to the present. For the past twelve years he has been postmaster at that point. Mr. Hartenstein was married in 1872, to Caroline E. Divener, of Millerstown, whose parents were among the early settlers of that locality. Two daughters are the fruits of this union, viz.: Clara, and Mollie. The family are members of the German Lutheran church of Hannahstown, and in politics, Mr. Hartenstein is a Republican.

Herman G. Koegler, undertaker, was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, near the village of Hannahstown, April 11, 1865, son of August and Sophia Koegler, natives of Germany, who came to the United States in 1845, and settled in Butler county. His father was an undertaker and cabinet maker, and carried on business in Jefferson township until his death, which occurred in 1887. His mother is living at the age of seventy-two years. They were the parents of eight children, four of whom are living, viz.: Louise, wife of Henry Grimm, of Winfield township; August F., a resident of the same township; Mary, wife of Albert Slupe of Jefferson township, and Herman G. The subject of this sketch learned undertaking and cabinet making with his father, and since the death of the latter he has continued to carry on that business. He was married April 15, 1886, to Barbara Boltz, a daughter of John Boltz, deceased, and has three children, viz.: Clara, born July 9, 1887; Gilbert, January 29, 1889, and George, June 10, 1892. Mr. Koegler and wife are members of the German Lutheran church, to which denomination his parents also belonged. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M.

John E. Muder, retired furniture dealer and cabinet maker, was born at Mielhausen, Prussia, February 12, 1820, son of Henry and Veronica (Gersting) Muder, natives of the same place. The family came to the United States in 1832, and arrived at Saxonburg, Butler county, Pennsylvania, August 24, of that year. They were among the first settlers of the town, which contained at that time only one house. Henry Muder was a hotel keeper, but later engaged in farming. He died at Saxonburg in 1854, and his wife in 1864, aged sixty-one years, and sixty-eighty years, respectively. They were among the organizers of the Evangelical Protestant church of Saxonburg, and were the parents of three sons, as follows: Godfrey, who died in Pittsburg in early manhood; John E., and Henry, who died while serving as a soldier in the Rebellion, from disease contracted in the service, aged sixty-two years. The subject of this sketch learned the cabinet maker's trade in Pittsburg, and established himself in business at Saxonburg in 1840, where he continued to carry on the furniture trade down to a recent date. Mr. Muder married Amelia Stuebgen, to which union were born the following children, viz.: Theodore; Josephine; Charles, and William, all of whom are dead; Matilda, wife of Van Buren Smith; Robert, and Mary, both deceased; Henry, who succeeded to his father's business, and John E., an undertaker of Saxonburg. Mrs. Muder died February 12, 1893. She was a life-long member of the Evangelical Protestant church, to which denomination her husband

also belongs. Politically, he is a Republican, and has been a member of the borough council, and filled the office of school director for many years. Mr. Muder is one of the most respected and representative citizens of Saxonburg, as well as the oldest living man of the original settlers of that town.

John G. Helmbold was born in Langensalza, Prussia, about 1796, and in early life became a large land owner and sheep grower. Wishing to keep larger flocks than was possible in his native land, he visited the United States in the summer of 1834, and on reaching Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, he concluded to come to Saxonburg, Butler county, where were living many of his friends from the Fatherland. He soon made up his mind to remain in this county, and bought 1,000 acres of land near the village, which he at once began to improve. In 1835 he was joined by his wife, whose maiden name was Amelia F. Specht, and their children, named as follows: Ernest A.; Emil; Paulina, who married August Nagler; Nathalia, who married George Schmidt; Bertha, who married a Mr. Bettinger; Othelia, who became the wife of Gottlieb Starke; Mina, who married Frederick Starke; Matilda, who married Charles Schrepperd; Emma, wife of Louis Biehl, and Theodore. In the course of a few years Mr. Helmbold became a very extensive farmer, and one of the wealthiest and most prosperous citizens in the county. He resided in Saxonburg until his death, which occurred March 6, 1887, at the ripe old age of ninety years. His wife died February 23, 1876, aged seventy-six years. They were among the organizers of the Evangelical Protestant church of Saxonburg, and always gave liberally of their means towards that society.

Ernest A. Helmbold, eldest in the family of John G. Helmbold, was born at Sunthausen, near Langensalza, Prussia, June 18, 1819, and was a college student preparing himself for the ministry at the time his father decided to immigrate to the United States. This changed the course of his life, as he was compelled to abandon his studies and give up his intention of becoming a minister. After locating in Butler county he engaged in agricultural pursuits, and subsequently in merchandising, which became his life vocation. He was married March 28, 1845, to Christine Nagler, a daughter of John F. and Christina D. (Meyer) Nagler, natives of Saxony, Germany, where she was born August 31, 1826. Her parents came to the United States in 1837, and settled in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where her father died in 1856, and her mother in 1878, aged sixty-two and seventy-five years, respectively. They were members of the Evangelical Protestant church of Saxonburg, and died in that faith. Mrs. Helmbold is the mother of six sons and six daughters, only four of whom are living, viz.: Hedwig; Mina, wife of Thielo Krause, a merchant of Saxonburg; Anna, wife of E. H. Haeppel, and Othelia, wife of Christian J. Raabe, of Saxonburg. Mr. Helmbold was a very successful farmer for several years, being the owner of six hundred acres of land. In 1847 he engaged in merchandising at Saxonburg, and was one of the successful merchants of the county for a long period. He was an ardent Democrat, and the Democratic candidate for member of the legislature at one time, and though he carried Butler county by a handsome majority, was defeated by the heavy Republican vote of Lawrence county. He was a prominent member of the Evangelical Protestant church of Saxonburg,

and a very generous contributor towards that organization. He died May 21, 1885, after a residence in Butler county of nearly half a century. His widow is a resident of Saxonburg, and the whole family are connected with the Evangelical Protestant church.

Theodore Helmbold was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 3, 1838, youngest child of John G. and Amelia F. Helmbold, early settlers of that village. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and subsequently took a course at a business college in Pittsburg, then entered the store of his brother, Ernest A., as a clerk. At the age of twenty years he embarked in merchandising at Saxonburg, which he continued for over thirty years. On July 17, 1860, Mr. Helmbold married Mary E. Graham, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Wilson) Graham, of Connoquenessing township, where she was born August 4, 1843. Ten children were born to this union, as follows: John R.; Etta L.; Charles R.; Edward F., deceased; Louis A.; Aurelia L., and Marie A., both deceased; Elmer G.; Clarence E., and James A. Mr. Helmbold was one of the successful merchants of the county until his death, which occurred November 21, 1891. Throughout his long business career he won and retained the respect and confidence of the people of the community, and accumulated a large fortune by strict attention to his business and judicious investments. His widow and son, Louis A., have continued the business established by Mr. Helmbold, under the firm name of Mrs. Theodore Helmbold & Son. Politically, he was a Republican, was burgess of Saxonburg, also a school director for many years, and a prominent and useful member of the Evangelical Protestant church, in which faith he lived and died.

Louis A. Helmbold was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, June 7, 1869, son of Theodore, and Mary E. Helmbold. After receiving a common school education, he entered his father's store as a clerk, and upon the death of the latter he became a member of the firm, and for the past three years he has assisted in managing the business. Mr. Helmbold was married August 19, 1891, to Melinda Christie, a daughter of John and Mary (Lamb) Christie, and has one son, Theodore Raymond, born December 22, 1892. Politically, he is a Republican, is a member of the I. O. O. F., the K. of P., the K. O. T. M. and the Jr. O. U. A. M.

Emil Maurhoff was a native of Hanover, Germany, and immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, about 1832, settling in Saxonburg. He was an engineer and surveyor, and assisted in surveying a large amount of the lands in this county. He married here, Johanna Pollard, a native of Germany, who came with her parents to this county about 1838. Mr. Maurhoff embarked in merchandising at Saxonburg, which he carried on down to his death, January 25, 1885. His widow is still a resident of Saxonburg. She and her husband were among the first members of the Evangelical Protestant church. In politics, he was a Republican, was justice of the peace for many years, clerk of the courts of Butler county for one term, and was postmaster at Saxonburg for a long period.

George W. Maurhoff, merchant and postmaster, was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, January 16, 1854, son of Emil and Johanna Maurhoff. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and was subsequently employed

as a clerk in his father's store. He soon after engaged in the hardware and tin trade, and in 1881 embarked in general merchandising, which he has continued up to the present time. In 1891 he was appointed postmaster of Saxonburg, which office he still occupies. Mr. Maurhoff was married October 26, 1881, to Clara Logan, a daughter of Joseph Logan, of Jefferson township, and granddaughter of David Logan, one of the pioneers of that subdivision. They have three children, as follows: Oliver; Harry, and Ralph. He and wife are members of the Evangelical Lutheran church, and in politics, he is an ardent Republican.

Henry F. Aderhold was a native of Saxony, Germany, born in 1805, was reared in his native land, and came to the United States in 1831, in the same vessel with John A. Roebling. He settled in Saxonburg, Butler county, in 1833, where he erected a hotel opposite the present school building, and was the first hotel keeper in the village. It was known as the Saxonburg Exchange, and will be remembered by many of the early settlers. He married Johanna Naiba, and to them were born thirteen children, six of whom are living, viz.: Henry; Albert; H. Harmon; Louisa, wife of Frederick Bauman; Amelia, wife of Emil Pfabe, and Cecelia, widow of Washington Warnick. The father died January 7, 1879, and the mother, March 3, 1863, aged fifty-seven years.

Albert Aderhold, second son of Henry F. and Johanna Aderhold, was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, June 19, 1842. His birth occurred in the first hotel erected in that village, and he was reared to the duties of hotel life. He also worked upon his father's farm, and has continued to follow agriculture since attaining his majority, being now the owner of a farm containing 120 acres. He has also an interest in several oil wells upon his farm, and is quite a prosperous man. Mr. Aderhold was married, February 22, 1870, to Mary Severing. Her father, Henry Severing, was born February 4, 1802, at Hanover, Osnabrekan, served in the German army, and then immigrated to the United States, enlisted in the army and served under Capt. W. T. Sherman, in the Seminole war. He died April 7, 1888. Mrs. Aderhold's mother's name was Mary Katel, also a native of Germany. Three children are the fruits of Mr. Aderhold's marriage, viz.: William; Charles, and Anna. His wife died in April, 1885. Mr. Aderhold is an adherent of the Democratic party, and has filled many of the local offices in his township. He is a member of the K. O. T. M.

Francis Laube, Sr., was a native of Saxony, Germany, born February 14, 1819, son of Nicholas and Fredericka (Hoffman) Laube, natives of the same place. His father was a brewer, and Francis learned that trade before coming to the United States in 1835. He traveled for two years in this country with a theatrical troupe, settled at Saxonburg, Butler county, in 1837, established a brewery and carried on that business for nearly thirty years. From 1865 to 1869 he was engaged in the hotel business as proprietor of the Union Hotel, and in 1875 he purchased the Michel property, which he rebuilt and remodeled and opened as the Hotel Laube. He was proprietor of this house until 1885, when he sold it to his son Francis and retired from business. Mr. Laube was married in 1850, to Ffedericka Hoffman, a native of Saxony, born April 1, 1821. Eight children were born to this union, three of whom are living, viz.: Malvena; Ida,

Theo. Hebenbold

and Francis. Josephine died June 18, 1894. Mr. Laube died July 31, 1891, and Mrs. Laube, October 15, 1893.

Francis Laube, only son of Francis and Fredericka Laube, was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, April 2, 1852, attended the public schools of the borough, and learned the brewing business with his father. He continued with him in the hotel business down to 1885, when he purchased the Hotel Laube from his father, and carried it on until December, 1890, when he sold it to C. J. Raabe, since which time he has been engaged in contracting for stone paving and sidewalks. In 1892 he removed to Butler, where he now resides. In December, 1893, he became a partner in the Freeport planing mill. On October 8, 1873, he married Mary Dunmeyer, of Punxsutawney, Jefferson county, where she was born January 22, 1855. They are the parents of four children, as follows: Richard; Lydia; Ella, and Josephine. Mr. Laube is a Democrat, in politics, and is a member of the I. O. O. F.

Andrew Dresher was a native of Saxony, Germany, born in 1813, there married Fredericka Sengle, a native of the same place, and came to Saxonburg, Butler county, in 1836. They had a family of three children when they came to this county, and three were born after their coming. Their names are as follows: Christina, who married Henry Muder; Hannah, who married Henry Edgar; Henry; William; Pauline, wife of Joseph Kohnfelder, and Harmon, deceased. Mr. Dresher was a carpenter, and followed that business until his death, in 1862. His wife survived him until 1886. They were among the organizers of the German Lutheran church at Saxonburg.

William Dresher, second son of Andrew and Fredericka Dresher, was born at Saxonburg, Butler county, June 15, 1838, learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and also served an apprenticeship to the wagonmaker's trade. He has carried on the latter business at Saxonburg for many years, and has the only wagon shop in the borough at the present time. Mr. Dresher was married in 1862, to Dora Bohn, a native of Germany, born September 8, 1842. Her father, Christopher Bohn, came to this country in 1848, and is a farmer and a musician. Six children have been born to this union: Ella, deceased; Edmund; Lydia, wife of Henry Lang; Charles; Wanda, and Emma. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Dresher is a Democrat. He served in the army during the Rebellion, as a member of Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for ten months. He has been a member of the borough council of Saxonburg, and is connected with the K. of P.

Dr. E. B. Mershon, of Saxonburg, was born at Youngstown, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, May 4, 1849, son of Daniel H. and Mary (Fiscus) Mershon, the former of French, and the latter of German ancestry. To them were born two sons and one daughter, all living and prosperous, viz.: Emma H., wife of Thomas McKelvy, a resident of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania; Dr. H. L. Mershon, now located at New Kensington, Westmoreland county, and Dr. E. B. His father was a leading merchant of Youngstown for many years, was prominently identified with the militia of the county and district and took an active part in public affairs. The subject of this sketch received an academical education and engaged in teaching, devoting his spare moments to the study

of medicine. In 1868 he abandoned teaching and devoted his whole time to the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. John Dickson, Sr., a leading practitioner of Pittsburg. In 1872-73 he attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and in 1876–77 at the medical department of the University of Buffalo, New York, graduating from the latter institution in the spring of 1877. He also spent considerable time at several of the city hospitals, and there received much practical knowledge not obtainable from other sources. Dr. Mershon began his professional career at Youngstown. He also practiced in Buffalo, New York, but his health failing him he was compelled to abandon city life, and about 1877 located at Saxonburg, where for the past seventeen years he has enjoyed a large and lucrative practice, and is recognized as one of the leading physicians of Butler county. He was married September 14, 1887, to Laura H. Graham, a daughter of Robert and Mary (Ash) Graham, natives of Forward township, where the Grahams were among the first settlers. Two children have been born to them, one of whom, a son, Edward B. Jr., is living. Dr. Mershon is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, and has been very successful in his practice. He is a man of liberal ideas and ranks among the prominent and substantial citizens of the county.

John Sachs, lumber dealer, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1855, son of Frederick and Johanna (Greenert) Sachs, natives of Saxony, Germany. His father was a carpenter, learned his trade in Berlin, and immigrated to Saxonburg, Butler county, in 1852, where he married Johanna Greenert, who came to this country with her parents in 1837. In 1857 Frederick Sachs located at Jefferson Centre, in Jefferson township, where he followed farming and carpentering. In April, 1891, he removed to the borough of Saxonburg, where both he and wife reside. The subject of this sketch learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and worked with him until 1876, when he became a partner. In 1878 he formed a partnership with Charles Wetzel, as builders and lumber dealers, which still exists. Mr. Sachs was married July 24, 1877, to Caroline Steinhauser, a daughter of Gottlieb Steinhauser, of Jefferson township. Her mother was Johanna Raabe, a sister of Christian Raabe, and her parents came from Saxony, Germany, to the United States, in 1849. Her father died July 16, 1890, aged seventy-eight years. Her mother still survives at a ripe old age. Mr. Sachs has a family of four children, as follows: Clara, born May 30, 1878; Amelia, October 1, 1881; Ida, deceased, and Lenetta, born May 24, 1892. The family are members of the German Reformed church. Politically, Mr. Sachs is a Democrat, has served in the borough council and also as chief burgess of Saxonburg, and for several years has filled the office of school director. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., the K. of P. and the K. O. T. M.

Frederick Owens was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, born in 1826, there grew to maturity, and, in 1844, married Mary Harper, also a native of Ireland, born in 1828. In 1848 they immigrated to New York, thence proceeded to New Orleans, and located in Allegheny City in 1850, where Mr. Owens went into the commission business on the site of the West Penn depot. He was one of the first commission merchants in Allegheny, and transacted a large and lucrative business. During the Rebellion he was under a contract to furnish salt and

dried apples to the Union army, and amassed a large fortune. He was the first man in Pittsburg to invest his means in government bonds, thus setting an example of confidence in the government during the dark days of civil strife. He owned a fine farm at Saxonburg, Butler county, and much other valuable real estate in various places. Mr. Owens was a stanch Republican, and although an active member of the party, he had no inclination to hold office. He was a charitable man and contributed freely towards the support of the poor. For twenty-five years preceding his death, he was a member of the North Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. By his marriage to Mary Harper, he became the father of twelve children, five of whom are living, viz.: Mary Jane, wife of John Galley; Lizzie, wife of Samuel Morrison; Sarah, wife of Ephron Black; Bella, wife of E. H. Becker, and Julia. Mr. Owens retired from business in 1873, and died at his residence in Allegheny, April 13, 1892. During the war he was instrumental in raising several regiments for the Union army, and was imbued with very commendable patriotism. Mr. Owens was a gentleman widely known and esteemed, and gave liberally of his means towards every worthy object. His summer residence was at Saxonburg, and he thus became interested in Butler county.

Joseph W. McKee, dentist, was born in Plum Creek township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, September 26, 1843, son of Thomas A. and Jane (Greenland) McKee. His grandfather was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to this country early in the present century, settling in Armstrong county. His father was born in the latter county, where he is still residing, being now almost eighty years of age. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, obtained a common school education, and at the age of nineteen enlisted in Company E, Fifty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for three months' service. Upon the expiration of his term, he re-enlisted in Company M, Fifth Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and served until the close of the war, participating in the many engagements in which his regiment took part. He commenced the study of dentistry in 1869, graduated in 1870, and in 1871 began practice at Elderton, Armstrong county. In 1872 he located at Saxonburg, Butler county, where he has since continued in the successful practice of his profession, being the only dentist in the borough. Dr. WcKee was married March 1, 1866, to Pauline Woodward, a daughter of James G. and Lavina Woodward, and granddaughter of Judge Woodward, of Armstrong county. They are the parents of three children, viz.: Alice G.; Albert T., and Mary P. In politics, Dr. McKee is an independent voter, while in religion, he adheres to no particular denomination. His wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. All through life he has been an ardent admirer of secret societies, and at the present time is a member of the I. O. O. F., Jr. O. U.A. M., K. O. T. M., and the G. A. R., and holds responsible positions in most of these lodges.

Weston W. Lasher, physician and surgeon, was born upon his father's farm in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, July 12, 1870, and is a son of Johnston and Nancy C. (Hall) Lasher, and a grandson of Abraham Lasher, a native of Armstrong county, born about 1809. Abraham was a farmer, married Margaret Gould, and became the father of twelve children. He died in 1885, and

his wife in 1888. They were members of the Church of God, in which society he filled the office of elder. Johnston Lasher was the fifth son in the family of Abraham Lasher; was born upon his father's homestead, in 1849; grew to manhood in Armstrong county, and in 1869 married Nancy C. Hall, a daughter of Weston Hall, of the same county. They became the parents of seven children, four of whom survive, viz.: Weston W.; Annie C.; Clara R., and Lawrence L. In 1883 the family removed to Phillipsburg, Beaver county, where they remained for four years, then located in Allegheny, where Mr. Lasher is engaged in the business of sewer building. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and completed his studies at Tarentum Academy; he afterwards commenced the study of medicine, attended lectures at the Baltimore Medical College and subsequently at West Penn Medical College, graduating from the latter institution in March, 1893. He took charge of the practice of his uncle, Dr. W. T. Hall, of Tarentum, during the latter's absence in Europe, and located at Saxonburg, Butler county, in August, 1893. Dr. Lasher was married December 15, 1890, to Eva Fyock, of Pittsburg, and has one son, Ralph C. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active interest in public affairs. Since coming to Saxonburg, Dr. Lasher has succeeded in building up a good practice, and stands well among his professional brethren.

Elmer E. Graham, principal of the Saxonburg public schools, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, April 19, 1864. He received his primary education in the schools of his native township, and subsequently attended the public schools of Butler and the Witherspoon Institute. In 1882 he commenced teaching in Butler, and afterwards taught in Buffalo, Summit and Middlesex townships. In the fall of 1888 he was appointed principal of the Saxonburg schools, which position he has since occupied to the entire satisfaction of the community. Mr. Graham was married May 6, 1891, to Ida Raabe, a daughter of Christian Raabe, of Saxonburg, and has one daughter, Viola, born March 21, 1893. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of Butler, while his wife is an adherent of the Evangelical Protestant church. Mr. Graham has been quite active in local political affairs for several years, is a stanch Republican, and has been a member of the county committee at different times. He is connected with the K. of P., the Jr. O. U. A. M., the K. O. T. M., the O. T. W., and the I. O. O. F.

Christian J. Raabe, son of the late Christian and Caroline (Schroth) Raabe, was born in Saxonburg, Butler county, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1867. He received a practical education in the schools of the borough. In 1881 he went to Freeport and learned the barber's trade. In 1883 he returned to Saxonburg and opened a shop of his own, which he carried on until 1891, when he purchased the Hotel Laube, which he still conducts. Mr. Raabe is an active member of several lodges, belonging to the Encampment and Rebekah degrees, I. O. O. F.; K. of P., and W. of W. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, and takes an active part in church affairs. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat. In 1892 he was a delegate to the State convention at Harrisburg, and in 1894 was one of the Democratic candidates for the legislature. June 20, 1889, he married Othelia, youngest daughter of the late E. A. Helmbold, of Saxon-

burg, to which union have been born three sons, viz.: Herbert, born July 8, 1890; Norman, July 15, 1892, and Ellsworth, December 27, 1893.

FREDERICK PFABE, proprietor of the Saxonburg Hotel, was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, February 20, 1860, son of Henry J. and Wilhelmina (Hoffman) Pfabe of this township. His father died in 1885, and his mother in 1890, aged sixty-four and sixty-six years, respectively. Frederick was reared upon the homestead farm, and was subsequently employed upon the West Penn railroad. In 1890 he engaged in the hotel business in Saxonburg, since which time he has carried it on very successfully, Saxonburg being quite a well known summer resort for citizens from Pittsburg. Mr. Pfabe was married April 18, 1881, to Alwena Ruediger, and has three children, viz.: Lydia; Hattie, and Herbert. Politically, Mr. Pfabe is a Republican, and is a member of the K. of P., and the I. O. O. F.

FREDERICK BAUMAN, marble dealer, was born in Saxony, Germany, September 19, 1837, son of Christian Bauman and J. Christina Corning, natives of Germany. In 1838 his parents immigrated to Butler county, and settled on a farm in Jefferson township. His father was a carpenter, and worked at his trade in connection with farming, down to his death, October 20, 1883, aged eighty-four years. His mother died April 19, 1886, at the age of seventy-five years. Both were members of the German Lutheran church, and died in that faith. Frederick was reared upon a farm and learned the carpenter's trade with his father. At the age of eighteen he began to learn marble cutting, and engaged in business at Saxonburg in 1858, where he has been the only marble dealer for many years. On November 20, 1860, he married Louisa Aderhold, a daughter of Henry F. and Johanna Aderhold. She is a sister of Albert Aderhold, of Jefferson township, and was born in Saxonburg, July 12, 1840, her parents being natives of Germany, who settled in this locality in 1833. Ten children have been born to this union, as follows: William H.; Aaron L.; Charles E.; Harris E.; Clara E., deceased; Alice A.; Mary Emelie; Robert M.; Louis E., and Walter L. In February, 1865, Mr. Bauman enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. His brothers, Herman C., and Ernest A., were also soldiers in the Rebellion. John H. was the only brother not in the service. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religious faith, a Lutheran.

WILLIAM J. CHESNEY, contractor, was born in Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1843, son of John and Catherine (Stoner) Chesney. His father was a native of Ireland, and was brought by his parents to Chester county, Pennsylvania, when a year old, there grew to maturity, and removed with his mother to Lawrence county, where she died, his father having died in Chester county. William J. learned the blacksmith's trade from his father, and worked at that business until 1863, when he became employed in the oil fields, first as a laborer and then as a contractor in drilling wells, which business he has since followed successfully. Mr. Chesney located at Saxonburg in 1891, where he has resided for the past four years. He married Eunice Elizabeth Grimm, in February, 1872. She was born January 16, 1847, and is a daughter of Michael and Mary (Hammel) Grimm, of Columbiana

county, Ohio, where her father is an oil operator and merchant. She is the mother of five children, as follows: Lloyd, born November 10, 1872; May, October 3, 1875; Kitty, October 18, 1877; Maggie, March 3, 1880, and Willie, March 28, 1884. Mrs. Chesney is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Politically, Mr. Chesney is a Republican, is a member of the I. O. O. F., and is connected with the American Legion of Honor.

CHARLES WETZEL, builder, was born in Saxonburg borough, Butler county, Pennsylvania, June 17, 1856, son of Gottfried and Caroline (Raabe) Wetzel, natives of Germany. Gottfried Wetzel came to this country in early manhood with his parents, was a wagonmaker, and among the early settlers of Butler county. He died in 1880; his widow is still a resident of the county. The subject of this sketch learned the wagonmaker's trade with his father, subsequently acquired the carpenter's trade and has been a carpenter and builder for several years, and also a dealer in lumber. He has recently erected for himself one of the most commodious residences in Saxonburg. Mr. Wetzel was married June 19, 1879, to Mary Seibert, a daughter of Conrad Seibert, a retired farmer. She was born October 3, 1856, and is the mother of four children: Albert, born January 7, 1883; Walter, born June 7, 1886; Howard, born January 31, 1890, and Della, born March 16, 1894. Mr. Wetzel is connected with the I. O. O. F., both Lodge and Encampment, and is also a member of the K. of P.

CHARLES PFEIFFER, merchant and liveryman, was born in Alsace, Germany, August 15, 1851, son of Anton and Elizabeth (Goetz) Pfeiffer, natives of Germany. His father was a cooper, and died in 1852. His mother died in 1865. In 1872 Mr. Pfeiffer came to the United States and settled in Pittsburg, where he worked at his trade, that of shoemaker, for eight years. He then came to Saxonburg, where he continued the same business until 1890, when he opened a flour and feed store, which he carried on in connection with a livery stable. He also operates the stage line between Saxonburg and the railroad station. Mr. Pfeiffer has been twice married; first to Amelia Glontz, to whom were born seven children. She died in 1887, and he was again married, to Mrs. Minnie A. Wagner, to which union have been born two children. Mr. Pfeiffer is a Republican, and is a member of the K. of P., and the K. O. T. M.

JAMES C. GRAY, gauger, was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, December 22, 1853, son of William and Eleanor (Beck) Gray, the former of Irish and the latter of German nationality. The family came to Butler county about 1876 and located at Millerstown, where the father died at the age of seventy-two years. William and Eleanor Gray, were the parents of eight children, seven of whom are living, viz.: Sarah, wife of William Turner; Charles C.; Carrie, wife of F. A. Sutton; William H.; Mary, deceased; Hannah J., wife of Thomas Moore; John W., and James C. At the age of fourteen the last mentioned began to work in the oil fields, and since 1887 he has been in the employ of the National Transit Company, being now their gauger for the thirty-third district, embracing Jefferson township and some adjoining territory. Mr. Gray was married August 26, 1875, to Hanna J. Ritchie, a native of Indiana county. He is a Republican in politics, and is a member of the A. O. U. W., the I. O. O. F., and the K. of P.

HENRY LANG, blacksmith, was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, October 21, 1863, son of John and Eva (Kronfenstine) Lang, natives of Brier, Germany. His father was born July 1, 1815, came to the United States in 1850, worked at his trade of blacksmith, in Pittsburg, until 1857, and then located at Saxonburg, Butler county, where he followed blacksmithing down to 1880, when he retired from business. John Lang is a son of Conrad Lang. Henry learned the blacksmith trade with his father, and assumed control of the business in 1880, upon the retirement of the latter, since which time he has continued in successful business. He has been quite prosperous, and has recently erected for himself one of the finest residences in the township. He is a member of the K. of P., and in politics, he is a stanch Democrat. Mr. Lang married Lydia Dresher, in April, 1887. She is a daughter of William Dresher, of Saxonburg, and is the mother of one son, Elmer, born August 8, 1891. Mr. Lang and wife are members of the Evangelical Lutheran church.

HENRY SEFTON was born in Antrim county, Ireland, and was reared to manhood in his native land. He immigrated to Pennsylvania when a young man, and in 1796 purchased a farm, then in Buffalo, but now in Clinton township, Butler county, containing 200 acres of unimproved land. The same year he married Jane Quinn, erected a cabin in the unbroken forest, and there the young couple began their married life. He was offered an adjoining tract for his rifle, but refused the offer, considering the rifle of more value than the land. He became the father of nine children, named as follows: Edward; James; John; Jane, who married Matthew Bicket; Henry; Mary Ann, who married Robert Cox, and for her second husband, David Logan; Catherine, who married William Logan; Ellen, and William, all of whom are dead. Mr. Sefton and wife were members of the Union church. He died in 1840, his wife surviving him several years. In politics he was first a Whig and afterwards a Democrat, and filled the office of township collector and other minor positions.

EDWARD SEFTON, SR., was born on the homestead in what is now Clinton township, Butler county, September 10, 1802, was educated at a subscription school, and followed farming throughout his life. In 1827 he married Elizabeth Thompson, a daughter of Robert Thompson, of Middlesex township, who became the mother of eight children, viz.: Edward; Jane; Robert; Esther, who married David Campbell, and afterwards Morris Craven; Eliza, who married John Westerman; Henry, deceased; Isabel, who married David Hazlett, and William. Mr. Sefton died in 1869, and his wife, September 12, 1887. They were members of the Seceder church, in which he filled the office of elder for twenty-five years. In early life he was a Whig, was afterwards a Republican, and filled the offices of school director and assessor in Clinton township.

EDWARD SEFTON was born in Penn township, Butler county, May 9, 1828, and is the eldest child of Edward and Elizabeth Sefton. He was reared upon the farm, learned the carpenter's trade, and follows that business in connection with farming. On April 20, 1852, he married Margaret Hay, a daughter of James Hay, of Middlesex township, to which union have been born ten children, as follows: Edward; James M.; John; David H.; Eliza J.; Maggie L.; William S.; Joseph M.; Robert, and Thomas. Mr. Sefton is a member of the United

Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has filled the offices of school director and road commissioner, and is one of the enterprising citizens of his township. On February 14, 1865, he enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eight Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Pittsburg, whence he went to Harrisburg, and was sent to Nashville, Tennessee. He remained at the latter point until September 11, and on his way home was taken sick at Cincinnati with typhoid fever, was brought on to Pittsburg, but did not recover for eight months. He was honorably discharged at Harrisburg, and then returned to his home.

William Love, Sr., was one of the early settlers of Clinton township, locating upon the Harvey farm in 1806. He was a native of Ireland, and came from Delaware to Butler county with his wife and family. He was married in Ireland to Martha Sorson. Several years after his settlement, he purchased 200 acres of land where his grandson, Samuel M., now lives, and here died in October, 1848, his wife having died the previous May. Both were buried in the Westminster graveyard. Their children were as follows: James, who died in early manhood; Samuel, who married Elizabeth Holsten; Rachel, who married George Kernahan; Robert, who married Sarah Holsten; William, who married Mary Thompson; Martha, who became the wife of James Kerr, and Elizabeth who married Samuel Trimble.

William Love, son of William and Martha Love, was born in 1803, and came with his parents to Clinton township, Butler county, when three years old. Here he grew to manhood, and afterwards received 100 acres of the homestead from his father. He erected the brick house now occupied by George Wiskeman, spent his entire life in farming pursuits, and died on February 27, 1892. He married Mary Thompson, a daughter of Robert Thompson, who died January 1, 1885. Fourteen children were born to this union, as follows: Samuel M; Isabel, deceased wife of Robert Speer; Thompson; Martha, wife of John W. Loech; Mary, wife of Francis Donaldson; Ann, wife of John E. Thompson; Rachel, deceased; James; William; Elizabeth; Nancy, wife of William Peaco; Robert; George, and Newton. Politically, Mr. Love was a Whig in early days, and later a Republican. He was first a member of the Seceder church, but upon the organization of the United Presbyterian denomination, he united with that society.

Samuel M. Love, eldest son of William and Mary Love, was born on April 7, 1830, in Clinton township. He learned the carpenter's trade, and followed that business until 1893, in which year he settled on a portion of the old homestead. He married Mary J. Harbison, and they are the parents of the following children: H. W.; George H., deceased; Ella M.; Maggie J.; Inez, wife of George Wiskeman; James T.; Mary E.; Samuel H.; John H. K., deceased, and Charles A. Mr. Love is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

H. W. Love, eldest son of Samuel M. and Mary J. Love, was born February 16, 1853, in Clinton township, was reared on the homestead, and at the age of seventeen commenced learning the blacksmith's trade. He afterwards engaged in business at Saxonburg, and followed his trade until the spring of

1893, when he formed a partnership with W. A. Krumpe, under the firm name of Krumpe & Love, and began the manufacture of brick and tile. Their plant consists of three acres of pits, a building twenty-four by eighty, a brick machine with a capacity of 20,000 bricks a day, and 15,000 tiles, a kiln with a capacity of 50,000 bricks and 20,000 tiles, all operated by a twenty-five horse power engine. They give employment to six men. Mr. Love married Lizzie Krumpe, a daughter of C. Krumpe, and has two children, Charles and Ira. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M., and in politics, he is a Republican.

W. A. Krumpe, son of Charles and Kate (Bauer) Krumpe, was born December 9, 1869, in Clinton township, and was reared upon a farm. At the age of seventeen he became a salesman for the McCormick Reaper Company, which business he followed until the spring of 1893, when he formed a partnership with H. W. Love, under the firm name of Krumpe & Love, and has since been engaged in the manufacture of brick and tile. He is a member of the Lutheran church, is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M., and is an ardent supporter of the Republican party.

James Love, a native of Ireland, born in 1790, came to Butler county, in 1816, leaving his wife in Ireland, and settled in Buffalo, now Clinton township. His uncle, William Love, had previously settled in the township, and it is believed he induced James to come to the United States. He was a son of Samuel and Betsey Love, who came from Ireland with James' wife, some two years later, and settled on a small farm in Clinton township. Two other sons, Samuel and Robert, came with their parents. Samuel located in Jefferson township, and Robert in Washington county. The subject of this sketch was a weaver, and followed his trade in Clinton township, in connection with farming. He first settled on the farm now owned by George Maizland, but in 1824 purchased the property, now comprising the home of W. W. Armstrong, his son-in-law. It contained 200 acres, and was originally settled by John Heckart, and John Snyder. This farm he improved, and spent the remaining years of his life thereon, dying in 1857. Mr. Love, was a very social, genial man, and played on the fiddle for the amusement of his neighbors, having brought the instrument from his native land. He possessed considerable enterprise and took an active interest in the development of his adopted home. His wife's maiden name was Nancy Hutchison, who became the mother of the following children: James, born in Ireland, and died on the homestead in 1890; Samuel, who died in 1857; John, a resident of Clinton township; George, who lives on the old farm; William, who died in Missouri; Obadiah, who died in Clinton township, in 1893; Mary Ann, deceased wife of William Heckart; Robert, a resident of Westmoreland county, and Sarah J., wife of W. W. Armstrong, of Allegheny. Mrs. Love survived her husband twenty years, and died in 1877. They were members of the Covenanter church, and connected with the Lovejoy congregation. In harmony with his religious convictions, Mr. Love took no interest in political matters.

George Love, son of James and Nancy Love, was born on the farm first settled by his father, in 1824, but was reared upon the second homestead. He received a common school education, and remained with his parents until their

decease. He afterwards purchased the farm, and owned it until 1889, then sold it to his brother-in-law, W. W. Armstrong, and purchased the William Walker farm, but still resides upon the old homestead. He is a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, a genial, intelligent gentleman, and one of the enterprising and successful farmers of the township.

James Criswell was born in the City of Derry, Ireland, in 1791, there grew to manhood, and in 1819, made up his mind to come to the United States. After a stormy voyage across the Atlantic in the ship "Constellation," occupying some thirty days, the vessel was wrecked off the coast of Nova Scotia, and the passengers lost everything except the clothes upon their backs. From St. John's, New Brunswick, Mr. Criswell worked his passage to Philadelphia, and walked from that city to Washington county, Pennsylvania, where he was glad to get work on a farm at four dollars and fifty cents per month, and take his pay in trade. Here he met and married, in 1825, Jane Brownlow, a native of Derry county, Ireland, born in 1804. She came with her parents to Philadelphia, and thence by wagon to Washington county, Pennsylvania. They had to pay seven dollars and fifty cents in gold per 100 pounds for their baggage transportation from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, and she, too, was weighed and charged for at the same rate, her parents walking the whole distance to save expense, and spending fourteen days on the journey. In 1830 Mr. Criswell purchased a farm from Hugh Davis, of Allegheny, containing "200 acres more or less," lying in Clinton township, Butler county, for which he paid $500. When the tract was afterwards surveyed it was found to contain 240 acres. There were some four acres cleared and a small log cabin, with puncheon flooring and a door made of sawed boards, with wooden hinges, in fact one of those old fashioned structures so common in pioneer days. Mr. Criswell resided upon this farm forty years, dying April 30, 1870. His wife died on August 11, 1882. They reared a family of six sons and three daughters, and three children died in infancy. The oldest, William, was born in Washington county, February 13, 1829, learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in Allegheny, and resides in that city; James, born January 27, 1831, resides at Sharpsburg; Letitia, born October 17, 1832, married Moses Marshall in 1854, and died in Kansas, March 19, 1894; Thomas, born August 15, 1834, went west with his sister Letitia and her husband, followed the lumber business down to the war, served in the Seventh Minnesota Regiment, and now resides at West Elizabeth, Pennsylvania; Robert, born October 11, 1836; Eliza Jane, born November 28, 1837, married John C. Norris, of Clinton township, and died November 8, 1862; Joseph, born April 7, 1840, remained on the homestead with his parents, until August 11, 1861, then enlisted in Captain McLaughlin's company, served until the close of the war, and now resides in Butler township; John A., born February 25, 1842, served in Captain Hutchison's Company, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and is now a resident of Washington, Pennsylvania; Robert Ross, born December 12, 1845, who also served in Captain Hutchison's company, and is an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, at Erie, and Susannah Belle, born October 4, 1849, married John Burtner, and resides in Clinton township. All of the children except the eldest were born upon the old homestead in Clinton township.

THOMAS WESTERMAN was born in Manchester, England, December 11, 1809, there grew to manhood and learned the machinist's trade. He immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Allegheny City, where he continued to work at his trade. In 1832 he married Hannah Tenant, a daughter of William Tenant, and in 1839 purchased a farm of 100 acres in Clinton township, Butler county, upon which he settled the same year. Both he and wife resided here the balance of their lives. He died August 16, 1887, and his wife, November 9, 1871. They were the parents of ten children, as follows: William T.; John H.; Thomas; Mary A., who married Harrison Norris; George R.; Henry J.; Sarah J.; Edward; Hannah B., who married Perry McCall, and Eliza E., who married Seth Mead. Mr. Westerman was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

EDWARD WESTERMAN was born in Clinton township, Butler county, August 2, 1851, and is the youngest son of Thomas and Hannah Westerman. He was reared upon the farm, assisting his parents with the home duties, and received a common school education. In January, 1875, he married Emma C. Burtner, a daughter of William Burtner, of Clinton township, and they are the parents of the following children: Ethel M.; Ella M.; Margaret E.; William P.; Sarah E.; Emily E.; Philip R.; James R.; Hannah, and Cora. Mr. Westerman is a Republican.

STEWART MONTGOMERY was a native or Derry county, Ireland, and immigrated to Pennsylvania, in 1831, and settled in Pine township, Allegheny county, where his son Samuel had preceded him. He subsequently removed to West Deer township, settling close to the Butler line, where he purchased 100 acres of land and spent the remaining years of his life thereon, dying about 1859. He was married in Ireland to Jane Patterson, to whom were born the following children: Mrs. Mary Stewart, who lived and died in Ireland; Samuel; John; Archibald; Elizabeth, who married George Ewing; Thomas, who died in Allegheny county, in 1894, and Margaret J., a resident of the same county. The others all died in Clinton township. Mr. Montgomery was an early member of Pine Creek United Presbyterian church.

SAMUEL MONTGOMERY, eldest son of Stewart and Jane Montgomery, was born in Derry county, Ireland, in 1803, grew to manhood in his native land, and immigrated to the United States in 1827. The following year he settled in Pine township, Allegheny county, subsequently removing to Pittsburg, where he followed the brickmaker's trade until 1847, in which year he purchased 224 acres of land in Clinton township, Butler county. Here he settled and remained until 1858, when he removed to Pittsburg, and died in that city in 1865. Mr. Montgomery was married in Ireland, in 1827, to Eleanor Bard, who died in Pittsburg, in 1880. Five children were born to this union, viz.: John; Mary J., wife of Thomas Watson; Archibald, and Samuel, both deceased, and Margaret, deceased wife of James Harrison. Mr. Montgomery was a member of Pine Creek United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican.

JOHN MONTGOMERY, eldest son of Samuel and Eleanor Montgomery, was born in Philadelphia, December 18, 1827, and was reared in Pittsburg. He was educated in the common schools, and learned the brickmaker's trade, which he followed until 1847, then came with his father to Butler county, and in 1857

located on a farm in West Deer township, Allegheny county. He afterwards purchased 108 acres of the old homestead in Clinton township, erected buildings, and has since been engaged in farming. In August, 1864, he enlisted in Company F, Eighteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until the close of the war, participating in the following engagements: Bridgewater, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek, Mount Jackson, and Waynesboro, close to Winchester, Virginia, and was discharged on June 12, 1865. In politics, Mr. Montgomery is a Republican, has served as school director for ten years, and filled other township offices. He is a member of James Harvey Post, G. A. R. He married Catherine Flick, a daughter of Henry Flick, who has borne him the following children: Samuel; Henry F.; Emma E.; Mary E., wife of R. E. Morrow; George W.; Albert; Harvey C.; Margaret J., wife of Thomas Morrow; William H., and Bertha E. Mr. Montgomery is one of the enterprising farmers of his township.

Henry Halstead was born in Lancastershire, England, April 24, 1809, the son of Robert Halstead. He was reared in his native country, and was a calico printer by trade. In 1832 he came to Philadelphia, and thence removed to Pittsburg, where he was engaged in peddling notions until 1838. In that year he purchased a farm at Sarversville, in Buffalo township, where he remained until 1846, and then bought and settled upon the farm where his son John now resides. He developed the coal deposits upon this farm, opening three banks, and carried on an extensive business for some years. He died June 5, 1886. He was married in England to Jane Martin, a daughter of James Martin, and their children are named as follows: Margaret, wife of Samuel Snyder; John; Martha, wife of Martin Hartung; James, deceased; Jane, deceased wife of William Sheppard; Henry H.; Mary A., wife of Jacob Hartung; Isabel, deceased wife of Milo Johnson, and Samuel M., of Kansas. Mrs. Halstead died on November 5, 1888. In politics, he was a Democrat until 1856, when he became a Republican.

John Halstead, eldest son of Henry and Jane Halstead, was born April 7, 1835, and was reared in Pittsburg, and in Butler county. In 1861 he enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and served three years, participating in all the engagements of his regiment up to the battle of Gettysburg, where he was severely wounded and sent to the hospital at York, Pennsylvania. He was discharged at the expiration of his term of service, and returned to his home in Clinton township. He subsequently embarked in the hotel business in Allegheny, but returned to the farm and is now engaged in farming and mining on the homestead. He married Sarah A. Hazlett, and their children are as follows: James H. O.; John L. M.; Franklin W. H.; Etta A. M.; Jane E. B.; Sarah M. P., and Samuel E. E., deceased. Mr. Halstead is a member of Butler Camp, Number 45, U. V. L., also of James Harvey Post, Number 514, G. A. R.

Henry H. Halstead, son of Henry and Jane Halstead, was born near Sarversville, Butler county, March 18, 1843, was reared upon the farm and educated in the common schools. In October, 1862, he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. In February, 1864, he again enlisted, in Company F, Independent Light Artillery, and served until June 26, 1865. A few months after his enlistment he was

detached for duty under General Hunter, in the Shenandoah valley, and remained there until the war closed. Returning home, he engaged in droving for the Pittsburg market, was next engaged in coal mining for nine years, and in 1875 purchased his present farm of 107 acres, in Clinton township, upon which he has made all of the improvements. Mr. Halstead was married in November, 1866, to Sarah Griffith, a daughter of Joseph Griffith, of Allegheny county, and has five children, viz.: Eliza J.; James G.; Joseph C.; Albert H. S., and Everet J. H. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, has served as school director for nine years, and is quite an ardent supporter of the public schools. He is a member of Emery Chapel, Methodist Episcopal church, and is connected with James Harvey Post, G. A. R. He is one of the leading farmers and public-spirited citizens of his township.

William Morrison was born in Venango county, Pennsylvania, about 1820, son of Matthew Morrison, a native of Mifflin county, born March 14, 1797. Matthew Morrison married a Miss Howe, who was born in Philadelphia, December 24, 1801. He died September 14, 1867, and his wife, August 26, 1882, in Jefferson county, Pennsylvania. After arriving at manhood, William Morrison came to Butler county. In 1847 he married Martha Stewart, of Lawrence county, and carried on a wagon factory in the borough of Butler for several years. He finally moved to Penn township, where he purchased fifty acres of land, and died upon his farm in 1867. During the Rebellion he served in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and had charge of the magazine. Mr. Morrison was the father of nine children, viz: Robert A.; John H.; Elizabeth E., who married Robert Critchlow; Charles W.; James C.; Joseph S.; Harriet L., who married William Wood; Nancy, who married William Emrick, and William M., deceased. The family were connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which society Mr. Morrison served as Sabbath school superintendent. In politics, he was a Republican.

Charles W. Morrison was born in Butler borough, Butler county, July 27, 1856, son of William and Martha Morrison. His education was obtained in the common schools, and his whole attention has been devoted to farming. On July 4, 1877, he married Jennie Williams, a daughter of Morgan Williams, of Allegheny county. They are the parents of the following children: Martha M.; William M.; Charles R.; Clarence W.; Lila I.; Harry T.; Alti I., and Olive E. In 1889 Mr. Morrison purchased the Criswell farm, containing 145 acres, where he has since resided. He also owns a farm in Penn township, and has been a successful oil operator for many years. In politics, he is a Republican, and one of the enterprising citizens of his township.

Charles Boice was born in Buffalo, New York, October 24, 1840, son of Isaac Boice, a native of Brunswick, New Jersey. His father was a sailor, and about 1835, was married to Rosanna Rogers, of Buffalo, where he was working at his trade. They were the parents of six children, viz.: Cornelius, deceased; William, a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota; Leonard; John H., deceased; Charles, and Eliza A., deceased. The mother died in Buffalo in 1861, and her husband removed to Pithole, Venango county, in 1864, thence to Hunter's Point, New York, and then to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1880.

The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and learned the plumber's and gas fitter's trade, at which he worked in Buffalo until his removal to Plumer, Venango county, in 1863. He afterwards worked at Pithole for six years, and for the following six years had charge of the Empire Oil Works, at Hunter's Point, New York, whence he removed to Etna, Allegheny county. In 1881 he settled in Clinton township, Butler county, where he has since resided. Mr. Boice has been twice married. In March, 1864, he married Susan Overheim, a daughter of Daniel Overheim, of Plumer, Venango county, who bore him six children, viz.: Sarah F.; William; Daniel; John H., and Elizabeth, both deceased, and Charles. Mrs. Boice died February 21, 1875, and he was again married, November 29, 1880, to Sarah Overheim, a sister of his first wife. He has been a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and in politics, is a Republican. Mr. Boice is superintendent of the Natural Gas Company, Limited, which position he has filled for nearly nineteen years.

James Simpson, son of William and Mary (Moffat) Simpson, was born in Antrim county, Ireland, April 6, 1837. He was educated in a private school, and learned the butcher's trade in his native land. In 1853 he immigrated to the United States, and followed carpet weaving in Philadelphia for some years. He then found employment in the iron mills of Pittsburg, which business he followed for sixteen years. In 1878 he moved to his present farm of 100 acres, in Clinton township, Butler county, upon which he has erected new improvements. He married Mary J. Park, and has four children, viz.: John P.; Hannah Q.; Mary M., and Bessie R. Mr. Simpson is a member of Deer Creek United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party.

Charles Pfabe was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, October 8, 1846, and is a son of Henry Pfabe. He was educated in the common schools, was reared upon a farm, and learned the carriage maker's trade in Pittsburg, which he followed for three years. He then found employment as a tool dresser in the oil fields, which he followed for several years. In 1883 he purchased a farm in Clinton township, containing 116 acres, upon which he has since resided engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Pfabe married Sophia Miller, a daughter of George Miller, of Saxon Station, Winfield township, and has five children, viz.: Howard J.; Frank A.; Tilmer H.; Walter W., and Sadie E. In his religious views, he is an adherent of the Lutheran church. His farm is one of the well improved places of the township, and he is a progressive and esteemed citizen.

Robert Brown was the first settler of what is now Penn township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He was born in New Jersey, in 1779, son of Caleb Brown, who subsequently located near Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, where Robert grew to manhood. In 1797 Robert came to Penn township, Butler county, built a small log cabin in the primitive forest, in the southwest part of that subdivision, and commenced the work of making a home. His parents afterwards came here, and ended their days at the home of their son. Robert was married here to Ruth Rathbun, a daughter of Clark Rathbun, also a pioneer of Penn township, and of a family of sixteen children, born to this union, thirteen grew to maturity, as follows: Caleb; Clark; John; Robert; Nathan; Sarah; Abigail; Rhoda; Elizabeth; Ann; Clarissa; Lydia, and Caroline

Matilda. The last named is the only one now living. Robert Brown was a justice of the peace in Penn township for twenty five years, and was a class leader and steward in the Methodist Episcopal church. He died upon his farm in 1853, and his wife in 1850.

Nathan Brown was born upon the homestead in Penn township, in 1816, and received a good education. He taught school in early manhood, and was an examiner of teachers for the township. He was also a professor of music, and was one of the well known citizens of that locality down to his death. He married Sarah A. Coe, of Portage county, Ohio, and became the father of eight children, viz.: Elizabeth C.; Milton R.; Harriet, deceased; Rosaline, wife of William Copely; Hamlin; Clara, wife of Isaac Andrews; Anna, wife of Calvin Glasgow, and Melissa, wife of Austin Meals. Nathan Brown died October 26, 1891, and his wife, October 17, 1889. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he held several offices at different periods. Politically, Mr. Brown was a Republican, filled the office of school director for several years, and served as prothonotary of Butler county one term, to which office he was elected in 1857.

Milton R. Brown, eldest son of Nathan and Sarah A. Brown, was born upon his father's farm, in Penn township, Butler county, December 9, 1848. He attended common schools in boyhood, learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades, and followed that calling for eighteen years. He is now living upon the old homestead, engaged in farming. He married Elizabeth Critchlow, a daughter of John L. Critchlow, of Forward township, and has four children: Ezra F.; Martha A.; Almeda G., and Ruth E. Mr. Brown is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is now filling the offices of trustee and steward. In politics, he is a Prohibitionist, and has filled the office of township auditor.

John Dodds, a native of Ireland, known for many years as "Squire Dodds," immigrated to Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, lived there for eight years, and in 1808 came to Butler county and purchased several hundred acres of land in what is now Penn township. He located near the present site of Brownsdale, but some years later settled on the farm where his grandson, David B. Dodds, now resides. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, was a man of excellent qualities, and served as justice of the peace for many years. His children were as follows: James; John; Joseph; Josiah; Jesse B.; William, and Adam, all of whom are dead. He moved his family and goods from Cumberland county with one horse hitched between two poles, the ends of the latter dragging on the ground. This was known as a "slide car." He brought with him some pits of English cherries, which he planted upon his farm, and thus introduced this fruit into the pioneer settlement. Mr. Dodds was one of the founders of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, as well as the church at Brownsdale. He died in 1862, at an advanced age.

William Dodds, son of John Dodds the pioneer, was born on the homestead farm in Penn township, Butler county, April 23, 1814, and died September 21, 1872. Soon after reaching his majority he purchased a farm near Brownsdale, now owned by W. J. Burton, upon which he erected a brick resi-

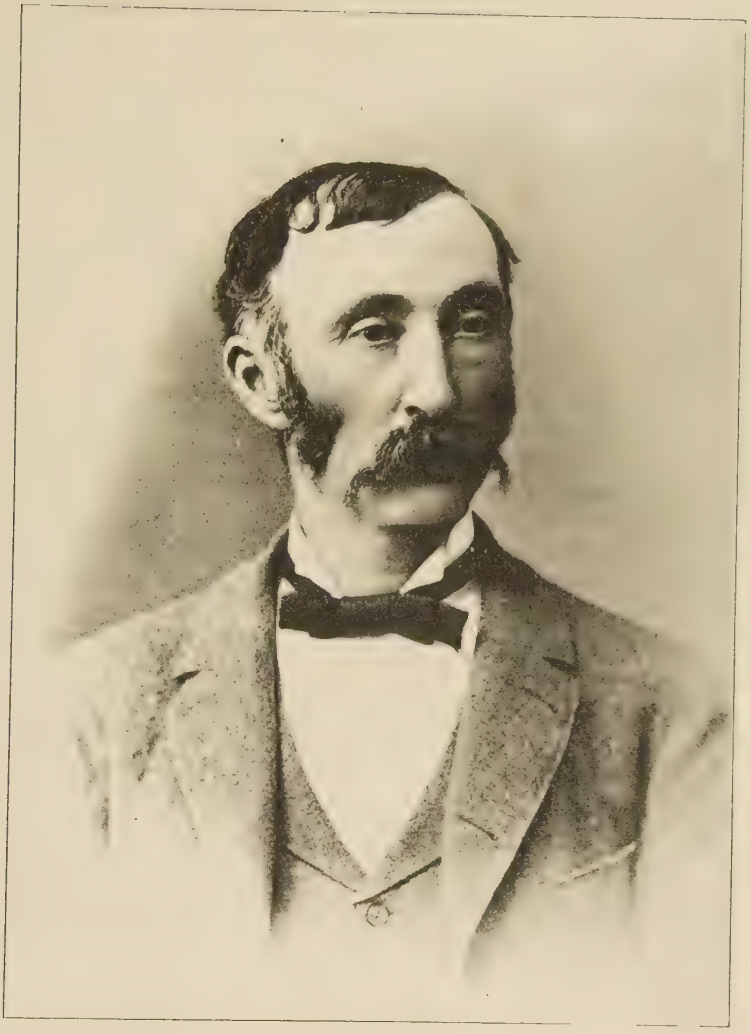
dence, manufacturing the bricks on his farm. He married Martha J. Douthett, a daughter of Benjamin Douthett, one of the pioneers of Forward township, January 2, 1843, and became the father of nine children, viz.: Emma; William J., who died at Camp Copeland, while serving in the Union army; Mary M.; Benjamin F.; Findley B., of Penn township; Maggie A.; Robert; David L. (the last three of whom are dead), and Joseph. Mr. Dodds was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican. Mrs. Dodds was again married September 26, 1876, to H. B. Weisz, who died at the home of his daughter in Zelienople. Mrs. Weisz is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and resides in Butler.

Findley B. Dodds, son of William and Martha J. Dodds, was born upon the homestead farm in Penn township, Butler county, June 3, 1853, was reared a farmer, but subsequently learned the carpenter's and stairbuilder's trade, which he followed for a few years. He then located upon his present farm in Penn township, which contains seventy acres, and has since devoted his attention to agriculture. On March 20, 1879, he married Belle M. Waldron, a daughter of Hon. W. S. Waldron, of Forward township. Mr. Dodds is a Republican, and has served as collector and assessor in his township. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, to which denomination his father and grandfather belonged.

Adam Dodds, youngest son of John Dodds, the pioneer of the family in Butler county, was born April 16, 1816, in Penn township, Butler county, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. He inherited the homestead, and followed farming the balance of his days, dying in 1887, at the age of seventy-one years. He married Margaret Sutton, and their son, David B., resides upon the homestead farm. Mr. Dodds was a good neighbor and an excellent citizen, was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. In politics, he was a Republican, though he took very little interest in political affairs.

David B. Dodds, son of Adam and Margaret Dodds, was born upon his present farm in Penn township, September 20, 1850, and has always resided thereon. He received a common school education, and has devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits. He married Mary M. Bartley, a daughter of Williamson Bartley. They are the parents of four children, viz.: Adam; Williamson; Clora, and James. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Dodds is an ardent Republican.

John Welsh was a native of Ireland, came to America about 1770, when a mere lad, grew to manhood in this country, and served as a soldier in the War of the Revolution, being shot through the body at the battle of Brandywine, from which wound, however, he recovered. After the war closed with the triumph of the Colonies and the establishment of independence, he settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He came to Butler county about 1800, purchased a tract of land containing 250 acres in what is now Connoquenessing township, built his cabin in the midst of the primitive forest, and began the work of making a home for himself and family. He lived to see the country thickly settled, and to enjoy the satisfaction of a well improved homestead, upon which he died at a very advanced age. His children were as follows: William; James; Thomas;



Henry C Welch

John; Mrs. Susan Brandon; Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon, and Mrs. Morrow. The sons served in the War of 1812, and, like their father, were patriotic and liberty-loving citizens.

James Welsh, son of John Welsh, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, about 1785, and came with his parents to Butler county when he was about fifteen years of age. He grew to manhood upon his father's farm, which he inherited upon the death of the latter, and throughout his life he was one of the well-known farmers of Connoquenessing township. He died upon the old homestead in 1878, at the remarkable age of ninety-three years. He was married three times and had children by each marriage. His last wife was Eliza Mallison, who died in 1868, at the age of fifty-six years. The parents were consistent members of the Presbyterian church, in which faith they lived and died. Mr. Welsh was a stanch Republican from the formation of that party, prior to which he was a Whig.

Henry C. Welsh, son of James and Mary (Mallison) Welsh, was born on the old homestead in Connoquenessing township, and was reared beneath the parental roof. The farm is now the property of Henry C. and an older brother. He has followed farming since early manhood, and has also been interested in oil producing, several wells having been put down on the old farm. In 1891 Mr. Welsh purchased his present farm in Penn township, located upon it in 1892, and has erected a fine residence and other buildings since that time. It was known as the Felix H. Negley farm, contains 100 acres, and is one of the best improved places in the township. Mr. Welsh was married November 14, 1883, to Lizzie S. Brown, a daughter of Joseph Brown, of Penn township, to which union have been born four children, viz.: Lucile; Clara B.; Stella E., and James E. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Welsh is a stanch Republican.

John Kennedy, Sr., was born in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1751, and was a son of John Kennedy, a native of Antrim county, Ireland, born in 1722. His mother was a Miss Murray, a relative of Regent Murray of Scotland, and soon after their marriage, in 1748, they immigrated to Baltimore. Our subject received a good education, and followed school teaching in early manhood. He enlisted in the Revolutionary war, served under Washington until its close, and drew a pension from the government to the time of his death, in 1835. He was married in 1786, and was the father of ten children, nine of whom are dead, named as follows: Sarah; Hannah; Catherine; James; John; Mary; Jacob; Margaret, and Elizabeth. Jane is the only survivor of the family. He removed with his family from Baltimore to the site of McKeesport, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and in 1801 settled in what is now Winfield township, Butler county, where the remaining years of his life were passed.

John Kennedy was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 25, 1794, and came with his parents to Butler county when about seven years old. He grew to maturity upon the old homestead in Winfield township, and endured the trials and hardships incident to pioneer life. He served in the War of 1812, was a justice of the peace, and also filled the office of county commissioner. In 1832 he purchased a farm in Penn township, where he resided until his death.

In 1822 he married Ann G. Smith, of Allegheny county, who bore him nine children, viz.: John Q. A., of Butler; Henry, and James, both deceased; Barbara, deceased wife of Barney Stepp; William; Jacob; Margaret, wife of John C. Emerick; Nancy, and Hamilton C., who was killed at Fair Oaks. Mr. Kennedy died January 4, 1869, and his wife, August 12, 1859. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he was an ardent Republican.

William Kennedy, son of John and Ann C. Kennedy, was born in Winfield township, Butler county, September 15, 1831, and removed with his parents to Penn township the following year, where he grew to maturity. He learned the blacksmith's trade, and worked at it for twelve years, since which time he has devoted his attention to farming. He married Matilda Graham, a daughter of Robert Graham, of Penn township, and is the father of ten children, viz.: William J.; Ann C., wife of P. E. Gaveren; Charles; Lulu M., wife of Morris Flachner; Clara, wife of E. W. Robbins; Clyde; George; Ada; Eva, and Francis M. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which society Mr. Kennedy has served as steward and trustee. He has also served on the school board of his township, and in politics, is an ardent Republican.

Robert Martin came from Ireland with his parents, William and Elizabeth Martin, to Connoquenessing township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1801, where his parents died at ripe old ages. Robert became quite prominent in that locality during pioneer days, was a justice of the peace for nearly forty years, also commissioner and auditor of the county. He served in the War of 1812 under Gen. David Mead, the founder of Meadville, as captain of a company in the One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Pennsylvania Militia. In 1808 he married Kesiah McClure, who died in 1843. He survived her four years, dying in 1847. They were the parents of seven children, viz.: William C.; Abdiel C.; Robert; John; James; Mrs. Jane Dodds, and Mrs. Mary Ann Anderson.

James Martin, youngest son of Robert and Kesiah Martin, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1818, and died in 1892. He married Margaret Anderson, a native of Ireland, who came to the United States with her parents when a child six years of age. Nine children were born to this union, eight of whom are living, viz.: Alice, wife of Samuel Dunbar, of Pittsburg; William T., who was born in Connoquenessing township, September 9, 1851, and is a farmer in Penn township; Benton O., a contractor and bricklayer, of Allegheny; Jennie, wife of Albert Wible, of Penn township; Maggie, wife of Albert Starr, of the same township; Robert H., of Allegheny; Aggie, and Frank C. of Allegheny. Mr. Martin removed to Penn township, in 1865, purchasing what was known as the Wise farm, near Maharg, containing 120 acres, where he resided until his death. His widow resides with her son, William T., upon the homestead. The latter is a justice of the peace, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Robert Harbison was born in Jefferson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, September 10, 1807, son of William Harbison, a native of Ireland who first located in Middlesex township, Butler county, in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, and later removed to Jefferson township, where he settled

and improved a farm. William was a soldier in the War of 1812. He had three sons, viz.: William, who spent his life upon the old homestead in Jefferson township, and filled the office of county commissioner; Robert, who settled on a farm adjoining his father's, and Matthew, who located in Oakland township. Robert received his education in a subscription school, learned the shoemaker's trade in youth, and followed that vocation all his life. He married Susan Ekas, a daughter of John Ekas, of Buffalo township, about 1847, to which union were born ten children, as follows: John; Mary; William; Sarah; Thomas; Daniel; Robert H.; Catherine; Joseph, and Susan. The survivors of this family are William; Robert H.; Joseph, and Susan. Mr. Harbison died March 28, 1874.

Robert H. Harbison, son of Robert and Susan Harbison, was born upon the homestead farm, in Jefferson township, Butler county, December 29, 1843. He was reared a farmer, and has always followed that vocation. In 1864 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, but the regiment having a surplus beyond the required number, he with the others were formed into a provisional regiment, known as the Second Pennsylvania Volunteer Artillery, in which he served in Company B. Towards the close of March, 1864, the regiment went to Washington, D. C., thence to Alexandria, where it guarded provision trains to Brandy Station, and there joined the Army of the Potomac, marched to Mine Run, and took part in the first battle of the Wilderness After the battles of Spottsylvania Court House, North Anna River, Gaines Mill, and Cold Harbor, the regiment crossed the James river, and occupied the first line of works in front of Petersburg, June 16, 1864. It took part in the first attack on the second line of works, on the evening of the 17th, and captured and held that line, until the mine explosion, July 30, 1864. It was in all of the succeeding engagements down to the surrender of Lee, at Appomattox. Mr. Harbison was honorably discharged from the service, at Philadelphia, June 29, 1865. Returning to Butler county, he resumed his farm duties, and was married February 26, 1867, to Lucinda Dixon, a daughter of James L. Dixon, of Penn township. Six children have been born to this union, viz,: James T., deceased; Albert L.; George C.; Mary A.; Oswell B., and Emma O. Politically, Mr. Harbison is a Republican.

James L. Dixon was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1818, and is a son of William Dixon, and a grandson of Thomas Dixon, who came from Ireland to Butler county, Pennsylvania, about 1800, and purchased 400 acres of land from the government, located in what is now Penn township. His father was a man of good education, and lived in Pittsburg for many years, returning to Butler county in 1819, and settling on a portion of the land purchased by Thomas Dixon. After coming to Butler county he taught school for many years, and filled the office of justice of the peace for a long period. William Dixon and wife were the parents of nine children, and spent their lives upon the homestead farm where the subject of this sketch now lives. James L. Dixon married Mary McCandless, who died in 1876, at the age of fifty-four years. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, to which denomination Mr. Dixon also belongs.

Winfield Scott Dixon was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, April 17, 1853, son of James L. and Mary Dixon. He was reared upon a farm, and now owns the land entered by his great-grandfather. He married Annie L. Balph, a daughter of Joseph Balph, a farmer of this county, April 17, 1877. She was born August 12, 1854, and was a teacher in the public schools for several years. They are the parents of six children, viz.: George Clarence; Winfield Russell; Charles Warren; Homer Scott; Frank Calvin, and Paul Eugene. Mr. Dixon and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which organization he fills the office of trustee. Politically, he is a Republican, has held the offices of justice of the peace and school director for several years each, has filled nearly every local office in the township, and was census enumerator in 1890.

Robert Graham was born in the borough of Butler in 1807, son of Robert and Sarah (Brown) Graham. His father located on the site of Butler in 1797. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's homestead, and after reaching manhood he engaged in the manufacture of brick and as a general contractor in the erection of buildings. He married Sarah A. Wigfield, whose parents were pioneers of Clinton township, Butler county. Nine children were born to this union, as follows: Eliza J., deceased wife of Theodore Huselton, of Butler; James H.; Wilson W.; Mary C., deceased wife of Arthur Hays, of Allegheny; Matilda S., who married William Kennedy, of Penn township; Thomas J., and three that died in early youth. Mrs. Graham died May 17, 1861, aged fifty-six years, and her husband, in August, 1873, aged sixty-six years. They were consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which Mr. Graham was a class leader for a long period. Politically, he was a Whig in early days, and subsequently a Republican.

Wilson W. Graham, son of Robert and Sarah A. Graham, was born in Butler township, Butler county, August 3, 1834, and was reared upon his father's farm. Upon reaching his majority he purchased the Hill farm in the northeast corner of Penn township, containing 160 acres, upon which he now resides. Mr. Graham married Clara J. Schrader, a daughter of John S. Schrader, an early settler of Jefferson township. Her mother's maiden name was Jane Peterson. Her parents died in 1875 and 1888, respectively. Mr. Graham has a family of three children, viz.: S. Jennie, wife of W. Elmer Bartley; Frank J., and Elizabeth M. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Graham was a Republican, but latterly has been a Prohibitionist.

Thomas J. Graham, youngest child of Robert and Sarah A. Graham, was born in Glenshaw, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, March 16, 1847, received a common school education, subsequently spent two terms at Witherspoon Institute and one term at Mount Union College. He has been a farmer since early manhood, and is the owner of a home in Penn township. He married Mary A. Porter, a daughter of Ross Porter, of West Deer township, Allegheny county, to which union have been born the following children: Cora C.; Alma F.; Robert W.; Lida M.; James R. P.; Clarissa J., deceased, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Graham is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and has filled the office of trustee in that organization. In politics, he is a Republican.

JAMES MARSHALL was one of the early settlers of what is now Penn township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He was a native of Antrim county, Ireland, and there married Jean Peebles, in November, 1797. To them were born eleven children before their immigration to the United States in 1822. They first located in Pittsburg, whence, in 1824, they came to Butler county, where Mr. Marshall purchased a tract of 300 acres of land in Penn township, upon which he resided until his death, in 1854, aged eighty-six years. His wife survived him nine years, and died in 1863, in the eighty-fifth year of her age. They were adherents of the Covenanter church, and Mr. Marshall refused to become a citizen of the United States because of his strong religious convictions that the Constitution sanctioned and protected human slavery. Their children were as follows: Mary, who married Joseph Brown; Samuel; James; Elizabeth, who became the wife of John Dean; William; Esther, who married John C. Rainbow; John C.; David; Archibald M.; Kennedy, and Thomas M., the last mentioned being the well known lawyer of the Pittsburg bar. Archibald and Thomas M. are the only survivors of the family, and both are residents of Pittsburg.

JAMES H. GRAHAM, son of William and Susan Graham, pioneers of Cranberry township, Butler county, was born upon the homestead farm in that township, December 31, 1825. He received a common school education, was reared a farmer, and learned the tailor's trade, which he followed for six years. In 1849 he removed to Bedford county, engaged in business there, and subsequently purchased 124 acres in South Woodbury township, upon which he lived for ten years. In February, 1865, he enlisted in Company D, Ninety-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. He was at the capture of Petersburg, and the surrender of General Lee's army at Appomattox, and was mustered out in June, 1865. In 1870 Mr. Graham returned to Butler county, and purchased a farm of 100 acres in Penn township, upon which he has since resided. In 1852 he married Susan B., a daughter of David Snoeberger, of Bedford county, whose ancestors came from Switzerland. Four sons and two daughters survive this union, viz.: William S. and Andrew S., both residents of Butler; Howard, a resident of Pittsburg; Milton J., who also resides in Butler; Mary, wife of H. H. Bricker, and Susan O., wife of J. M. Brown. The deceased are David, Charles and Laura. Mr. Graham is a Republican, has taken an active interest in local affairs, and has been elected to the offices of justice of the peace, tax collector and school director in his township. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and was superintendent of the Sabbath school for several years.

JOHN ANDERSON, a native of County Down, Ireland, born in 1783, immigrated to the United States in 1833, and located near Prospect, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a farm and followed agricultural pursuits the balance of his life. He married Mary Dunn in Ireland, and they were the parents of six children, all of whom were born in Ireland and came to America with their parents. Their names are as follows: Catherine, who married Robert Munce; Jane, who married James McCollough; Elizabeth, who married William McCollough; Margaret, who became the wife of James Martin; Samuel

D., deceased, and James D., of Penn township. Mr. Anderson and wife were life long members of the Presbyterian church. She died in 1859, aged eighty years, and her husband, in 1866, at the ripe old age of ninety years.

James D. Anderson, youngest in the family of John and Mary Anderson, was born in Ireland, March 11, 1816, and came with his parents to Butler county when he was seventeen years of age. He received a good education, and became a teacher, which calling he pursued for ten winters, devoting the balance of his time to farming. In 1849 he embarked in merchandising at Prospect, later purchased a farm which he soon sold, and then removed to Penn township, where he bought his present homestead in 1865. It contains 133 acres, and is one of the best improved farms in the township. He is also the owner of another good farm near Brownsdale, consisting of 100 acres. Mr. Anderson was married May 24, 1842, to Mary Ann Martin, a daughter of Robert Martin, a native of Ireland, who settled in Connoquenessing township. Mrs. Anderson was born January 1, 1822, and is the mother of ten children, eight of whom survive, as follows: Robert M.; John F.; Elzie H.; William C.; Mary; Elizabeth; Emma, and Florence. Mr. Anderson and family are members of the Presbyterian church, and are liberal contributors towards that organization. He is a Democrat,in politics, and was elected register and recorder of Butler county in 1876, a tribute to his worth and popularity in a strong Republican county. Mr. Anderson is one of the progressive and public-spirited citizens of the community, and gives his hearty support to every worthy object.

Robert Patterson was a native of Derry county, Ireland, where he married Eliza J. Lowry, and came to the United States with his wife and one son, William R., in 1832. He settled first in Allegheny county, where he worked at the tailor's trade for several years, came to Butler county in 1838, and purchased a farm in Cranberry township. He returned to Ireland in 1854 for his wife's mother, and took passage in the "Arctic" on the return trip to the United States, but the ship was wrecked and all on board were lost excepting a few sailors. The widow was thus left to rear her family and carry on the farm, but this she did nobly, living to the ripe old age of eighty-three years, and dying in 1887. She could trace her lineage back for over two hundred years to many well known families of Great Britain, and her son, William R., has a photograph of a coat of arms of the Lindsay family, which he prizes as an heirloom.

William R. Patterson was born in Ireland, in 1831, son of Robert and Eliza J. (Lowry) Patterson, and was brought by his parents to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, the year of his birth. He came to Butler county in 1838, where he has ever since resided. Mr. Patterson married Lucinda Peterson, whose father, Peter Peterson, came from York county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, and settled in Butler township, Butler county. In 1819 Mr. Peterson purchased the farm of 175 acres, now occupied by his son-in-law, from John Negley. He was then about forty-two years of age. He married Barbara Peterson, a cousin, whose paternal grandfather, Garrett Peterson, settled in Butler county in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, purchasing a large tract of land in Penn township. Peter Peterson was a soldier in the War of 1812, and spent the remainder of his life in this county. The Petersons are of Dutch ancestry, and Mrs. Pat-

terson's grandfathers on both sides of the house were also from Holland. Mr. Patterson is an ardent Republican, and is now (1894) one of the jury commissioners. He has held nearly all of the local offices of his township, and is one of the enterprising citizens of the community.

WILLIAMSON BARTLEY was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, April 15, 1822, and was a son of James Bartley, a native of Ireland, who came to what is now Middlesex township, Butler county, about the year 1800, where the balance of his life was passed. Williamson was reared on his father's farm, and in 1847 he moved to a tract of 125 acres in Penn township, built his cabin in the midst of a forest, and went to work bravely to make a home. In this he succeeded, and resided upon his farm down to his death, which occurred in 1891. He married Elizabeth Pearce, whose father was one of the early settlers of this county. She died in 1887, aged sixty-five years. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, and he was a ruling elder in that body for many years. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom are now living. Mr. Bartley was a Republican in politics, was quite active in township and county affairs, and was a justice of the peace for several years. He served nine months in the Union army, as a member of Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

W. E. BARTLEY, youngest child of Williamson and Elizabeth Bartley, was born upon his present homestead in Penn township, Butler county, in 1862, and has always resided thereon. He was married June 12, 1890, to S. Jennie Graham, a daughter of W. W. Graham. She was born April 13, 1869. Both she and husband are adherents of the United Presbyterian church.

ADAM WEBER was a native of Baden-Baden, Germany, grew to manhood in his native land, and there married Verona Vocht. In 1824 they immigrated to the United States, and in 1831 located in Penn township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. They reared a large family, the names of the sons being as follows: Samuel; Peter; George; Adam, and John. Mr. Weber was a miller and worked at that business in Pittsburg before coming to Butler county. Both he and wife were life-long members of the Lutheran church, and were among the organizers of one of the first Lutheran churches in Butler county. Mr. Weber died in 1873, aged sixty-nine years; his wife died in 1878, aged eighty-one.

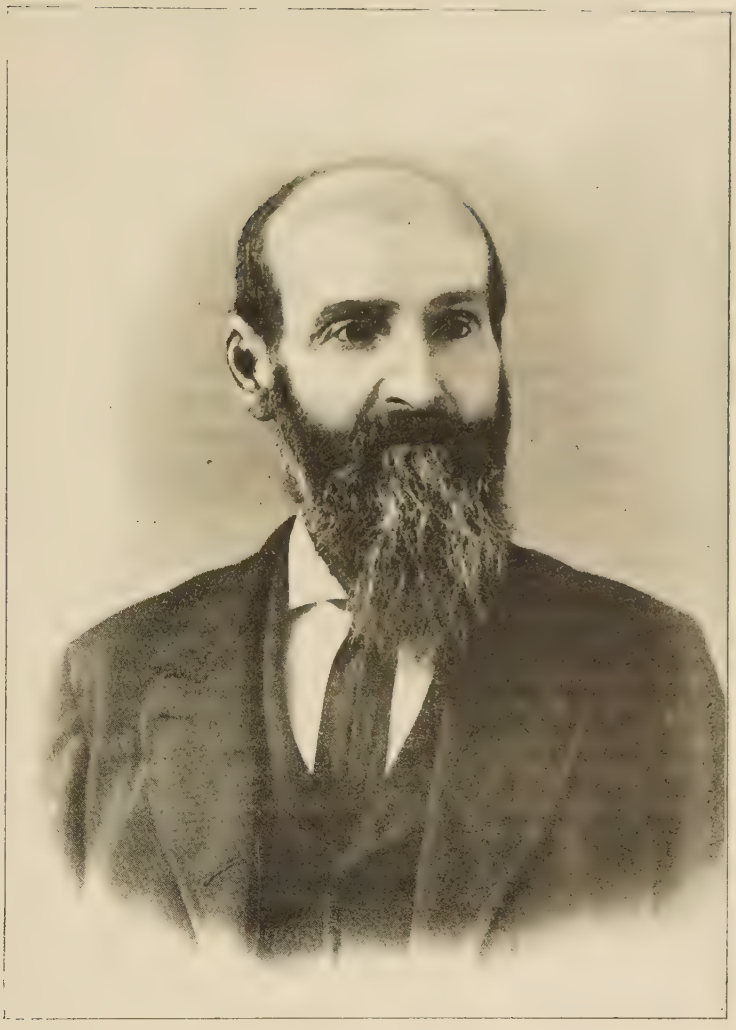
JOHN WEBER was born upon his present farm in Penn township, Butler county, November 10, 1838, was reared a farmer, and received his education in the district schools. He married Maria Markel, a daughter of Zeno and Susan (Stamm) Markel, residents of Beaver county, where her grandparents settled at an early day. Her father is living at the age of seventy-nine years, and her mother at the age of seventy-seven. Eight children have been born to this marriage, as follows: Susan V., wife of David L. Renfrew; Mary A.; William P.; Clare E.; Margaret; Minnie N.; John A., and David M. Mr. Weber and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. Besides the old homestead of 108 acres, he is also the owner of 150 acres adjoining, and 110 acres more in the same township. Mr. Weber is one of the successful, enterprising and prosperous farmers of Butler county.

John Gibson was born on the Atlantic ocean about 1793, during the voyage of his parents to America. They came from Down county, Ireland, settled first in Washington county, Pennsylvania, whence they removed to Allegheny county, and in 1828 settled in Clinton township, Butler county. His father purchased 160 acres of land at two dollars and fifty cents per acre, upon which he spent the balance of his life. He reared a large family and lived to a ripe old age. John was the youngest in the family, and inherited the old homestead in Clinton township. He married Mary Martin, to which union were born the following children: Nancy; Andrew; George; John; Eliza; James; Sarah B.; Evan; William Robert, and Thomas, only four of whom are now living. The parents spent their lives upon their farm in Clinton township, dying at the ages of ninety-two and eighty years, respectively. John Gibson was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was one of the well known pioneers of Butler county.

Robert Gibson was born May 14, 1833, upon the homestead farm in Clinton township, Butler county, and is a son of John and Mary Gibson. He grew to manhood attending to the duties of the farm, and has since continued to follow agricultural pursuits. In 1866 he purchased a farm at Sandy Hill, which he sold in 1870, and bought the old Potts farm of one hundred acres in Penn township. In 1883 he purchased seventy-five acres of the William Logan farm, upon which he now resides. Mr. Gibson was married January 10, 1850, to Elizabeth Wike, to which union have been born twelve children, as follows: Thomas; John; Mary E.; George, deceased; James; Evan; Delia A., deceased; Lincoln; Sarah; Andrew; Charles, and Austin. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled several of the offices in his township. Both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, to which denomination his parents also belonged.

Thomas Robinson, Sr., a native of Ireland, immigrated with his wife, Arabella, and family, to the United States in 1832, and settled in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. The children were as follows: Abraham; Sarah; Mary Ann, and Thomas. In 1835 the family located within the present limits, of Penn township, Butler county, where Mr. Robinson purchased a tract of land upon which some twenty acres were cleared. He was a man of industrious habits, and devoted his attention to clearing his farm and making a home for his family. After many years of toil he succeeded in his object, and at his death, in 1863, he possessed a well improved homestead. His wife died in 1861. They were consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Robinson was a stanch Whig until the dissolution of that party, when he became a Republican. He was a man of strong likes and dislikes, positive and decided in his opinions, and unswerving in defense of what he regarded as right. His son Thomas is one of the oldest and best known members of the Butler county bar.

Jeremiah W. Starr was born in Concord township, Butler county, in 1831, son of John Starr, a pioneer of that township. His father was a member of the Lutheran church, and one of the founders of that organization in that locality. The subject of this sketch grew to manhood in his native township, and married Rebecca J. McConnell, a native of this county, whose parents were among its early settlers. Mr. Starr located in Penn township about 1875, pur-



Wm S Wible.

chased the Leonard farm of 200 acres, which is now divided into three farms, and resided there until his removal to the borough of Butler, where both he and wife reside. They are member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Six children were born to them, as follows: William M., of Butler; Albert H., of Penn township; Alawilda J., wife of Rev. N. L. Brown; John M., of Butler; Wilber H., deceased, and Ross L., of Butler.

Albert H. Starr, second son of Jeremiah W. and Rebecca J. Starr, was born May 6, 1858, in this county, and reared upon a farm, which business he has since followed. He married Maggie E. Martin, a daughter of James Martin, of Penn township, and to this union three children have been born, viz.: Wilber M.; Carl H., and Garth H. Mr. Starr is a Republican, in politics, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

Robert Philips was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1806, grew to manhood in his native county, and there married Mary Townsend, born February 20, 1808, whose father served in the Black Hawk war. In 1844 they came to Butler county and settled upon a farm of 130 acres in Penn township, where their son, Elijah T., now lives. They were the parents of six sons and eight daughters, seven of whom are living, as follows: Sarah; Elijah T.; Josiah; Joseph; William; Mary, and Lydia. Mr. Philips was an influential Republican in his township, and both he and wife were members of the Baptist church. He died in 1869, and his wife in 1882.

Elijah T. Philips, eldest son of Robert and Mary Philips, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1832, remained with his parents and inherited the homestead farm. He was married March 4, 1861, to Jane Wallace, who was born May 31, 1836. They are the parents of five children, viz: Walter; William; Robert; Charles M., and Hannah J. Mr. Philips is a Republican, and takes an active interest in the public schools of his township. He is a member of the Baptist church, while his wife is a Presbyterian.

John Philips was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1832, was reared upon a farm, and received his education in a district school. He came to Butler county prior to his marriage, and settled in Penn township, where he met and married Sarah, daughter of Philip Miller, in 1856. Three children were born of this union. Orin M.; Frances M., wife of Dr. H. J. Neely, of Beaver county, and Ada J., wife of Charles Spang, of Butler. He afterwards moved to Middlesex township, where he died in 1863. His widow survives, and resides with her children.

Robert Cooper was born in Winfield township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1815, son of Samuel Cooper, who came to Butler county as a young man with his stepfather, Robert Johnson. He married here and reared a family of eight children as follows; John; Robert; William; Jane; Ann; Elizabeth; Margaret, and Samuel. After his marriage he settled in Winfield township and spent the remainder of his days in that locality. Robert grew to manhood on his father's farm, and married Sarah Sutton, a daughter of of Jacob Sutton, of Penn township, to which union were born eight children, viz.: Samuel H.; Jacob, deceased; Rachel, who married Peter Kennedy; Rebecca, who married William Lewis; Robert K.; Sarah E., deceased; Isaac,

and Lydia, wife of John Stepp, of Allegheny county. Mr. Cooper and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Politically, a Republican, he has filled the office of township collector for two terms.

Samuel H. Cooper, eldest in the family of Robert Cooper, was born in Winfield township, Butler county, March 8, 1841, received a common school education, and has followed farming as a vocation. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and participated in the battles of South Mountain, Aquia Creek, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville, when his term of service having expired he was honorably discharged. Returning to his home he resumed life on the farm, and was married January 7, 1864, to Miss Sarah Armstrong. Six children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Isaac S.; Rebecca J.; Albert R.; Chambers C.; Robert F., and Samuel H. Mr. Cooper is a member of the Baptist church, is a deacon in that body, and a liberal contributor. Politically, he is a Republican, has been a school director for three years, and has also filled the office of township supervisor. He has been a farmer since boyhood, and devotes his whole attention to agriculture.

Samuel Ziegler was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, November 19, 1806, son of Abraham Ziegler, who came to Jackson township, Butler county, in 1814, and purchased the property of the Harmony Society from Father Rapp, the founder of that society, and the following year moved his family to his new home. Samuel grew to manhood in Jackson township, and attended one of the pioneer subscription schools of that locality. His father was one of the organizers of the Mennonite church of Harmony, and brought up his children in that faith. The subject of this sketch reared a family of seven children, as follows: Catherine, who married John Wise; Daniel; Jacob, and Samuel, both deceased; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Levi Boyer; Margaret, who was twice married, first to a Mr. Boyer and then to J. Lynn, and Moses deceased. The mother died October 1, 1847, and her husband, August 4, 1855.

Jacob M. Ziegler was born in Jackson township, Butler county, July 26, 1836, received a common school education, and grew to manhood in his native township. He was married March 6, 1859, to Elizabeth Markel, a daughter of Zeno Markel, of Evans City. Eight children were born to this union, as follows: Samuel A.; Mary E., wife of Joseph L. Blakeley; Zeno E.; Elizabeth, deceased; Daniel W.; Emanuel D.; Emma S., deceased, and Lucinda A. Mrs. Ziegler died February 26, 1885; her husband survived until December 10, 1891. They were members of the German Reformed church, in which denomination he filled the office of elder. Politically, Mr. Ziegler was a Republican, but took very little interest in public matters.

Samuel A. Ziegler, eldest in the family of Jacob M. and Elizabeth Ziegler, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, December 10, 1860, was reared in the home of his parents, and learned the blacksmith's trade. He afterwards worked four years at Renfrew, and two years at Mars. He sold out his shop at Mars in 1889, and went to Clinton township, where he remained one year, then purchased the old Mahood farm in Penn township, upon which he has since resided. He married Mary E. Cooper, a daughter

of Robert Cooper, of Penn township, who has had three children: Estella M.; Iva E., and one that died in infancy. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party.

Jesse Critchlow was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1811, his parents being among the pioneers of this county. He was reared on a farm and received his education in a pioneer subscription school. He learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed in connection with farming down to his death, in 1866. He married Catherine Wareham, a daughter of Adam Wareham, of Butler county, and they were the parents of twelve children, viz.: Dorcas E., who married William Ruchenberger; John W.; Elizabeth, and Henry, the last three deceased; Catherine, who married Milton Jones; Adam, deceased; Henry C.; Martha, and Matilda A., both deceased; Mary J., wife of Daniel Emerick; Robert G., and David. Mr. Critchlow was a member of the Presbyterian church, and was an adherent of the Democratic party.

Henry C. Critchlow, eldest living son of Jesse and Catherine Critchlow, was born in Forward township, Butler county, May 4, 1845, was reared upon his father's farm, and learned the carpenter's trade. On June 6, 1868, he married Mary E. Campbell, a daughter of William J. Campbell, of Middlesex township. Thirteen children were born to this union, as follows: Josephine; Milton; Robert; Blanche; Julia, deceased; William; Birdenas; Rollins; Pearl; Mamie; Walter; Frank, deceased, and Mary. Politically, Mr. Critchlow is a Democrat, but aside from exercising the elective franchise, takes no active part in public affairs.

George Marsh was born in Monroe county, Pennsylvania, in 1793, son of Abraham Marsh, a Revolutionary soldier who served until the close of that war, then settled upon a farm in Monroe county, where he resided until his death. He was twice married, and was the father of five sons and three daughters. George, the youngest son, was reared upon the farm, and married Christina Sarver. They were the parents of seven children: Peter; Sarah, who married George Wilson; Julia, who married Aaron Ramsey; Abraham; Timothy; Hannah, and Mary, who became the wife of Mr. Carner. Mr. Marsh was a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he was a Whig. Both he and wife spent their lives in Monroe county.

Abraham Marsh was born in Monroe county, Pennsylvania, September 2, 1822, and is the oldest living son of George and Christina Marsh. He learned the carpenter's trade in early manhood, and followed that business for thirty-five years, then purchased a farm of fifty acres in Penn township, Butler county, upon which he has since resided. Mr. Marsh is a member of the Baptist church, is a Republican in politics, and has filled the offices of school director and treasurer of the school board. He married Eliza M. Kinser, a daughter of Joseph Kinser, of Connoquenessing township, who is the mother of ten children, viz.: Lydia A., wife of Samuel McCandless; George L.; William V.; Eliza B.; Meda, wife of Lorenzo Lyons; Elizabeth, wife of John Umstead; Abraham W.; James W.; Murilda, and Sarah, wife of Robert Dunbar.

Andrew Wible was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1769, attended a subscription school in boyhood, where both English and German were

taught, and grew to maturity in his native county. He came to Pittsburg at an early date, and worked under Major Craig in the erection of Fort Pitt, which was built on the site of that city. In 1799 he married Mary Smith, a daughter of Adam Smith, of Northumberland county, settled upon a farm, and followed that business the remainder of his life. Thirteen children were the fruits of this union, as follows: John; Susan, who married John McPherrin, and subsequently James Thompson; George; Catherine, who married John Thompson; Adam, (all of the foregoing are dead); Andrew; Sarah, who married Andrew English; Harrison; Mary A., wife of Irwin Anderson; Eliza J., wife of William Logan; William S.; James, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Wible died in January, 1853, and his wife in 1873. They were members of the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM S. WIBLE was born April 13, 1824, in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, grew to manhood in that county, and in 1846 married Sarah A. Stewart, a daughter of William Stewart, of Allegheny county, and subsequently located in Penn township, Butler county, where he yet resides. Mr. Wible is the father of five children, as follows: Almira; Mary J., wife of James Strain; George A.; William S., and Charles H. George A. was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, April 8, 1854, received a common school education, and adopted farming as his vocation. He married Jennie Martin, of Penn township, in 1884, and is the father of three children, viz.: Frank; Walter, and Imogene. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican. William S. was born upon the homestead farm, in Penn township, Butler county, September 5, 1858, received a common school education and has been a farmer since boyhood. He married Maggie N. Burton, a daughter of William J. Burton, of Penn township, and has three children, viz.: Olive Myrtle; Bessie J., and Clara M. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of township auditor and inspector for several terms. Charles H. was born on the homestead in Penn township, May 8, 1866. He received a common school education, is a farmer, a member of the Reformed church, and in politics, a Republican. He married Elizabeth C. Thomas, of Connoquenessing township, May 8, 1888, and is the father of two children: Sarah H., and Harry H. For more than forty years Mr. Wible has been a trustee and elder in the Presbyterian church. Politically, he is a Republican, was a school director for one term in Allegheny county, and three terms in Butler county, and has always manifested a deep interest in educational matters.

JAMES RANKIN was born in Fairview township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 24, 1846, son of David C. and Nancy (Moore) Rankin, and grandson of David Rankin, one of the pioneers of Fairview township. Mr. Rankin was reared upon the homestead in Fairview township, attended the district school of his neighborhood, and adopted farming as his vocation. In February, 1864, he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until July 10, 1865, when he was honorably discharged. On April 28, 1868, he married Mary L. Graham, a daughter of John Graham, of Parker township, to which union were born six children. Their names are as follows: Nancy J., wife of W. F. McKelvey; Cora M., wife of George H.

Scott; David A.; George C.; John O., and Harold G. Mrs. Rankin died June 21, 1881, and he was again married, March 31, 1886, to Margaret E. Murtland, a daughter of John Murtland, of Concord township. Four children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Lilly T.; Mary L.; James W., and William P. Mr. Rankin is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is superintendent of the Sabbath school. In politics, he is a Republican, and has been assessor, supervisor and collector in his township. He is recognized as one of the leading farmers of the township, as well as a representative, worthy citizen.

Felix H. Negley was born near East Liberty, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1833, son of Casper and Elizabeth (Fluke) Negley, natives of the same county. His father was born March 17, 1784, grew to manhood upon his father's farm, and followed farming all his life. He married Elizabeth Fluke, of Pittsburg, and was the father of nine children, as follows: Mary A., who married Aaron Reimer; John F; Alexander W.; Magdalene F., who married David Mohler; George B., deceased; Felix H.; Jacob L.; Casper S., and Daniel F. Casper Negley died May 12, 1877, surviving his wife thirty-three years. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, was graduated at a commercial college, and afterwards embarked in merchandising at Pittsburg, remaining there four years. He was married April 7, 1857, to Mary A. Simons, a daughter of William Simons, of Allegheny county, and, came to Butler county the same year. He purchased a farm in Penn township from John Negley, upon which he has since resided. Six children were born of his marriage, as follows: Ada L., wife of Thomas M. Gibson; Jennie G., wife of David W. Lefevre; Clara M., wife of Thomas L. Duff; William C.; Felix Harry, and Homer D. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which Mr. Negley has filled the offices of trustee and steward. September 3, 1864, he enlisted in Company D, Sixth Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and was honorably discharged June 13, 1865. Politically, he is a Republican, and has been justice of the peace and overseer of the poor in Penn township.

John R. Sutton was born in Penn township, Butler county, in 1824, where the Sutton family settled in 1815. He received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed the greater portion of his life. In 1851 he married Elizabeth Martin, a daughter of Richard Martin, of Summit township, to which union were born eight children, as follows: Daniel H.; Annie M., wife of Samuel Flemming; David B., deceased; William O.; Samuel M.; George M.; Mary J., wife of Milton J. Graham, and Harry R. Mr. Sutton died upon his homestead in Penn township, in August, 1889. His widow is still living in Penn township. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, an adherent of the Democratic party.

Amos Mates was born in 1812, in Washington county, Pennsylvania, close to the Allegheny line. His parents were from Berks county and of German extraction. He came to Butler county in 1840 and settled in Muddy Creek township (now Centre), and later removed to Penn township, where he died in 1880. Mr. Mates was married about 1839, to Mary A., daughter of John Derimore, of Muddy Creek township, to whom were born seven children: Mary, deceased; Sarah; Viola; Ann; W. J.; A. W., and James B. Mrs. Mates died

in February, 1887. In politics, Mr. Mates was originally a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

Jonas Hartzell was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1792, grew to maturity in his native county, learned the wagonmaker's trade, and also followed farming. He removed from Bucks county to Harmony, Butler county, lived in that village about eight years, engaged in wagon making, and then bought a farm in Jackson township, where the remainder of his days were spent. He married Mary Housekeeper, of Bucks county, and had a family of five children, as follows: Hannah, deceased wife of Jacob Goas, of Beaver county; Jacob, and Eli, both deceased; Isaac, and George. Mr. Hartzell and wife were members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

Jacob Hartzell, eldest son of Jonas and Mary Hartzell, was born in Bucks county, March 19, 1817, was educated at a subscription school and was reared a farmer. He came to Butler county with his parents, where he met and married Jane E. Brown, a daughter of John Brown, of Middlesex township, March 17, 1850. Seven children were the fruits of this union, viz.: Jonas S.; Mary A.; Hannah, deceased; Nannie J., wife of Robert Garraux; Letitia N.; John B., and Lizzie M., wife of John Glascow. In 1854 Mr. Hartzell purchased a farm in Penn township, where he has since resided. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and a Democrat in politics.

Jonas S. Hartzell was born upon the Hartzell homestead in Penn township, February 12, 1857, and has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He is the eldest son of Jacob and Jane E. Hartzell, and grandson of Jonas Hartzell. Mr. Hartzell was married September 23, 1885, to Anna C. May, a daughter of Henry May, of Forward township, and has three children: Floyd R.; Charles R., and Mary E. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, he is an adherent of the Presbyterian church.

Samuel Renfrew was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, and was a son of John Renfrew, a native of Renfrewshire, Paisley, Scotland, born in 1750. John Renfrew came to America about 1768, and served in the Continental army throughout the Revolution. He was a member of the Covenanter church, and died in that faith. After the War of Independence had closed, he settled near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, erected a grist and saw mill, and carried on the milling and lumbering business the remainder of his life. He married Sarah Ray, and was the father of four sons and four daughters. Samuel grew to manhood in his native county, and upon his father's death succeeded to the mill property, which he conducted down to his death. The mill is still owned by a member of the Renfrew family. Samuel Renfrew married Hannah Lindsay, who bore him a family of four sons, viz.: John; Robert; David A., and Samuel, all of whom are dead but David A. The parents were members of the Covenanter church, and were quite prominent in that denomination.

David A. Renfrew, third son of Samuel and Hannah (Lindsay) Renfrew, was born at Greenwood Mills, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, in 1817, was reared in his native county, and went into business with his father. In 1840 he came to Butler county and settled on Connoquenessing creek, in what is now Penn township. In 1844 he built a saw mill, and in 1868 a grist mill, which

was the beginning of the present village of Renfrew, named in honor of its founder. Mr. Renfrew has been prominently identified with oil producing, and has several wells on his property. His original tract of 600 acres is now reduced to 200, which, however, is sufficient to support him in comfort the remainder of his life. In 1844 Mr. Renfrew married Mary Kirkpatrick, of Armstrong county, where she was born in 1824. To this union have been born ten children, as follows: Samuel, who was killed in the Rebellion; Agnes J., wife of Samuel Mellon; Elizabeth, wife of Erastus Logan; John C., who married Lena Crowe; Robert, deceased; David, who married Susan Weber; Hannah A., wife of John L. Walker; Kesiah, wife of A. J. White; Melissa, wife of John H. Walker, and Maggie, wife of Simeon W. Phipps. Mr. Renfrew is one of the founders of the Covenanter church at Renfrew, and has been one of the principal supporters of that organization since the beginning.

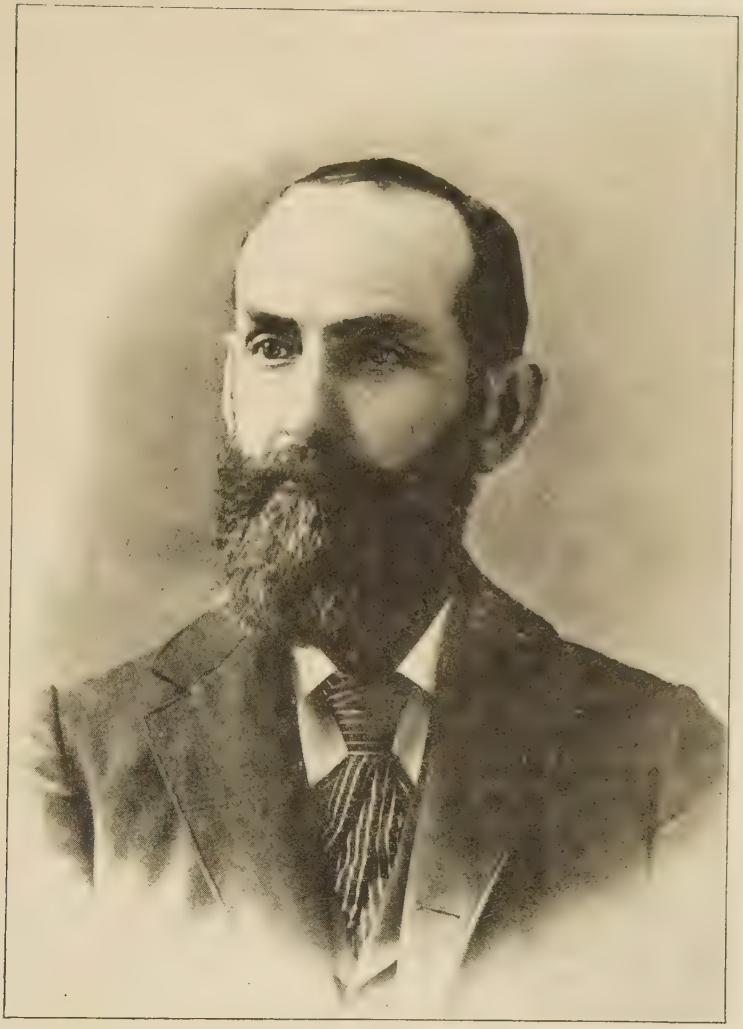
H. S. McClymonds, physician and surgeon, was born in Portersville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 8, 1857, son of James and Lydia (Vance) McClymonds. His father was born in Allegheny county, in 1816, of Scotch parentage, who came to America in the Eighteenth century. His mother was of Irish descent, and was born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania. She died December 30, 1882. His father is still living at the age of seventy-nine years, and has spent his life in agricultural pursuits. Both were consistent members of the United Presbyterian church. They reared a family of ten children, nine of whom are living. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, received his primary education in the common schools, afterwards attended the State Normal at Edinboro, and taught for several terms. He studied medicine with Dr. A. G. Thomas, of Freeport, attended lectures at Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, one term, and graduated at the Medical Department of the New York University, in March, 1883. He at once opened an office at Brownsdale, Butler county, where he continued to enjoy a good practice until 1892, when he removed to Renfrew and purchased the drug store of J. M. Calvert, which he carries on in connection with his professional duties. Dr. McClymonds is a member of Butler County Medical Association, also of the State Medical Society, and is one of the well known physicians of the county. He was married October 11, 1887, to Ida M. Douthett, a daughter of Hon. D. B. Douthett, of Forward township, and has two children: Bell V., and James D. Dr. McClymonds and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is a liberal contributor towards that denomination.

David L. Kirkpatrick was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1837, son of John L., and Nancy (Lorimer) Kirkpatrick, and grandson of James Kirkpatrick, a native of Scotland, who came to the United States at an early day and settled in Indiana county, Pennsylvania. During the last Indian war, James Kirkpatrick had charge of a blockhouse for the protection of the inhabitants of his vicinity. He died at a very advanced age. John L., the father of our subject, was a farmer and carpenter, and died at the age of seventy-five years, and his wife Nancy, at the age of seventy years. They were the parents of the following children,: James; Robert; Andrew; William; David L.; Mary; Elizabeth, and Harriet, all of whom grew to maturity. They were mem-

bers of the Presbyterian church, in which faith they reared their family. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native county, attended the public schools of his district, and selected farming as his vocation. In 1850 he located upon a farm in Centre township, Butler county, where he followed agriculture for many years, and then retired to Renfrew. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the army of the Potomac until 1863, when he was discharged because of disability through defective hearing. His brothers, Robert and William, were also soldiers in the Union army. Mr. Kirkpatrick was married January 16, 1838, to Martha J. Ramsey, a daughter of James and Elizabeth (Maxwell) Ramsey, of Armstrong county. Her grandfather Maxwell was one of the first settlers in Centre township, Butler county. Seven children are the fruits of this union, as follows: William; Robert; Mary, wife of Lawrence McCandless; John; Leslie; Gertrude, and Everett. Mr. Kirkpatrick is a Republican, in politics, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

Ross M. Bowser, lumber dealer and builder, was born in Valley township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1847, son of M. P. and Sarah (Baum) Bowser. His father was a native of Pennsylvania, of Dutch ancestry, a soldier in the Civil war, and a Democrat in politics. He was in the Seventy-eighth regiment, enlisting in the spring of 1862, and remaining in the service for three years. He served in many hard-fought battles, was captured and held a prisoner for some time, and is now living at the age of seventy-six years. His mother was also of Dutch extraction, and is living in Armstrong county at the age of seventy-one years. The subject of this sketch was reared a farmer. In February, 1871, he went into the coal business on the James Milford farm, near Parker's Landing. This business he afterwards sold out, and in 1884 came to Renfrew, and has since been engaged in the oil and lumber business, the firm now being known as R. M. Bowser & Son. He is also a part owner in several producing oil wells. Mr. Bowser was married August 14, 1871, to Amanda R. Anthony. She was born July 4, 1849, and is a daughter of Benjamin and Susannah (Zimmerman) Anthony. They are the parents of nine children, as follows: Hattie, deceased; Harry M., a member of the firm of R. M. Bowser & Son; Jessie M.; Lillian D., deceased; Milo F.; Flodia Z.; Harvey F.; Katie, deceased, and Alta E. Mr. Bowser is an adherent of the Democratic party, and favors low taxes.

David W. Roberts, proprietor of a livery stable at Renfrew, was born in Cardiganshire, Wales, July 5, 1834, son of Rev. William and Mary (Davis) Roberts. His father was a Baptist minister, came to the United States in 1861, was pastor of a church at Mineral Ridge, Ohio, for two years, and died at Youngstown, Ohio, in 1864, aged seventy years. His mother died in Wales, at the age of sixty-five. The subject of this sketch immigrated to the United States in September, 1855, and found employment in the mines at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, having been a miner and rolling mill quarryman in his native land. He worked in the mines at Pottsville for two years, then went to West Middlesex, where he worked as a miner one year, and thence to Youngstown, Ohio. He worked in a rolling mill in that city four years; and also at Sharon, Pennsylvania, and later



James Rankin

was engaged in the grocery business at Youngstown for some time, whence he removed to Venango county in 1877. In 1882 he located at Renfrew, Butler county, and embarked in the livery business, which he still continues. He is also identified with the oil interests of his locality, and is a part owner in an oil well. Mr. Roberts was married, June 1, 1858, to Martha Hollenbaugh, to which union have been born seven children, as follows: Mary H.; David J.; Nicholas; Rebecca J.; Margaret M.; Isabel, and Myra E.

A. J. White, oil producer, was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1846, son of David and Jane (Edwards) White, the former a native of the same county, and the latter of Maryland. His paternal great-grandfather was the original settler on the site of Beaver Falls, coming from Down county, Ireland, to that point with his family. His grandfather was a native of Down county, Ireland, and came with his parents to Pennsylvania in childhood. His maternal grandfather was born in England, came to America with his wife soon after marriage, and settled in Maryland. His parents, David and Jane White, are residents of Venango county, the former being now eighty-one years of age, and the latter seventy-six. David White held the office of justice of the peace in his native town for twenty years. The subject of this sketch was reared on a farm in Beaver county, but has been interested in oil producing for the last twenty years, the first ten of which he followed the business of a driller. He is interested in quite a number of producing wells, and claims to have been the first operator to put down a well in the Hundred Foot field. He is quite an extensive contractor in sinking wells, and superintending those which he puts down. Mr. White was married to Martha Hitchcock, who bore him three children, two of whom survive: Effie Jane, wife of Elmer Shidler, and Ella. Mrs. White died, and he subsequently married Ida Kesiah Renfrew, a daughter of David A. Renfrew. He is a Democrat, in politics, and an ardent supporter of that party.

Daniel B. White was born March 4, 1851, in Venango county, Pennsylvania, son of David and Jane (Edwards) White, and a brother of A. J. White of Renfrew. He was reared on a farm, attended the district schools, and subsequently learned the bricklayer's and plasterer's trades, which he followed for eight years as a journeyman. He then engaged in drilling oil wells, at which business he has since continued, being at present employed by his brother in putting down wells. He married Kate J. Kennedy, a daughter of William Kennedy, of Mechanicsville, Venango county, and has the following children: David, born March 19, 1874; Joseph J., March 2, 1877; Edward, February 2, 1879; Bertie, July 29, 1883; Ralph, July 2, 1886; Edgar, and Grace E., November 8, 1891. Mr. White is an adherent of the Democratic party.

John H. Walker was born in Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, October 27, 1852, son of O. B. and Sarah (McLaughlin) Walker. His father was a carpenter, and the subject of this sketch learned that trade with him, and was a partner in the business of contracting and building for many years. Mr. Walker came to Renfrew in 1887, where he has since been engaged at his trade, being one of the principal builders in the township. He was married March 15, 1882, to Melissa H., a daughter of David A. Renfrew, the founder of the village of Ren-

frew. She was born March 22, 1862, and has two children: Olive R., born May 7, 1883, and Ethel G., April 18, 1885. Mr. Walker is a Republican, in politics.

SIMEON W. PHIPPS was born in Clinton township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, October 22, 1851, son of Robert and Anna (Canan) Phipps, pioneers of that county. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and received his education in the district schools. For more than twenty years he has been a contractor and driller in the oil fields of western Pennsylvania, and has an interest in several wells. He has put down a very large number of oil wells for different producers. Mr. Phipps married Maggie Renfrew, a daughter of David A. Renfrew, and has two children: Ida May, born in May, 1885, and David L., in October, 1887. Politically, Mr. Phipps is a Democrat. He is a member of the Masonic order.

ANDREW WATSON was born in Edinburg, Scotland, in 1843, son of Andrew and Mary (Ross) Watson. The family came to the United States in 1870. His father was a coal miner and contractor, and died in 1890, at the age of sixty-seven years. His mother survived until the age of seventy. Mr. Watson came to Pennsylvania with his parents, and settled in Mercer county, where he engaged in coal mining, which he followed until 1878. He then went into the business of putting down oil wells, usually known as a driller, at which he has since been engaged, and is a part owner in some wells. He was married March 25, 1890, to Bell McKinney, a daughter of George McKinney, of Petrolia. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and politically, he is an independent voter.

JOHN D. BARNHART, boilermaker, was born April 18, 1859, at Millerstown, Butler county, son of John B. and Hannah (McCollough) Barnhart, of that borough. His father carried on a meat market and hotel at Millerstown, and was captain of a company in the Rebellion, serving throughout the war. He died in 1866, from the effects of disease contracted in the army. His widow married John Shook and is still living at the age of seventy years. The subject of this sketch learned the boilermaker's trade in Petrolia, and established his present shop at Renfrew, in 1889, where he has since carried on business. On September 1, 1887, he married Amelda Murphy, born June 3, 1866, a daughter of Archibald M., and Jane (Pisor) Murphy. Her father is a cooper and carpenter, and resides in Worth township, Butler county. Politically, Mr. Barnhart is a Republican.

HENRY J. VAN DYKE, boiler manufacturer, was born in Tompkins county, New York, September 27, 1843, son of H. J. and Hannah (Webb) Van Dyke. His father was a soldier in the War of 1812, was a farmer by occupation, and both he and wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died at the age of sixty-five years. The subject of this sketch learned the boilermaker's trade, at which he worked as an apprentice and journeyman for ten years, subsequently carried on business at Petrolia, Butler county, for eight years, and in 1889 established his present shop at Renfrew, where he has since carried on the manufacture of boilers, etc. In 1863 he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh New York Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. He participated in the battles of Antietam, Gettysburg, Wilderness, and several other engagements, and was wounded at North Anna River, in the left side,

by a splinter from a shell. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the G. A. R. He married Ida McGlone of Petrolia.

Milton Miller was born in Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, September 30, 1854, son of Samuel and Julia Ann (Curry) Miller, natives of the same township. His father was a son of Michael Miller, a pioneer of Butler county, and died October 17, 1892, at the age of seventy-five. His mother's parents were also pioneers of this county. Her father, Isaac Curry, was a native of Ireland, and settled at an early day near Unionville, Centre township. He reared eight children, all of whom are dead. Their names are as follows: James C.; Robert; David; Isaac; Barbara; Julia Ann; Nancy, and Elizabeth. Mrs. Miller died in July, 1865, aged forty-two years. Both she and husband were members of the United Presbyterian church. They were the parents of the following children: Henry J.; Maria J.; William C.; Mary M.; Harrison; Milton; Sabrina; Samuel S.; Ellsworth, and two that died in early youth. The subject of this sketch was reared in Centre township, and on November 15, 1877, was married to Rose Sailor, a daughter of Peter and Hannah Sailor. Her father was born in Germany, and her mother in Ohio. They are residents of Cranberry township, and are the parents of five children, as follows: Edward; Rose; Lincoln, deceased; Mary, wife of Ellis Terrill, and Margaret, widow of Allen Gale. Mr. Miller and wife have three children, viz.: Everett; Maud, and Gilbert. He first became interested in two oil wells in Concord township, about 1882, since which time he has been engaged in oil producing, and is now in partnership with his brother-in-law, Edward Sailor, of Butler. They own several wells in Penn township, southeast of Renfrew. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the K. O. T. M.

William Thompson, Sr., was one of the first settlers of what is now Middlesex township, Butler county, where his descendants claim he located with his family as early as 1795. When he was a youth, it is said he was chased by a roving band of Indians and took refuge in a deserted log cabin. While the savages were gathering wood with which to burn him out, he escaped unperceived through a rear window, and fled into the forest. On looking back he saw the Indians dancing around the burning cabin, which they supposed contained their prisoner. His wife's maiden name was Mary Sanderson, and both were natives of the Cumberland valley, of Scotch-Irish extraction. Their first years in this country were full of promise, but the death of the husband and father early in the present century threw the burdens of the home and family upon the widow's shoulders. Their children were named as follows: Robert, who was captain of a company in the War of 1812, settled in what is now Clinton township, and there died; Jane, who married Jacob Mechling, Jr., of Butler; John; William; Salina, who married John Gilliland; Martha, who remained single, and James, who is well remembered as a distinguished lawyer, congressman and jurist. All have passed away, but many of their children and grandchildren are respected residents of the county.

Capt. Robert Thompson, son of William Thompson, Sr., was born in 1789, and came to Butler county with his parents. He was twice married. His first wife was Mary Coulter, who bore him a family of three children, as follows:

Ellen, who married Stephen Brewer; James C., and John. His second wife was Mary Brown, who became the mother of five children: Margaret, who married William Brewer; William; Robert; Mary A., who married Joseph Henry, and Catherine, who became the wife of John Montgomery. Captain Thompson commanded a company in the War of 1812, and resided in Clinton township until his death, which occurred in 1879. His first wife died in 1825, and his second in 1881.

James C. Thompson was born in Clinton township, Butler county, in 1824, and is the eldest son of Robert and Mary (Coulter) Thompson. After reaching manhood he purchased, in 1846, what is now known as the Thompson farm, in Middlesex township, settled upon it and died there in 1857. In February, 1851, he married Elizabeth J. Gilliland, a daughter of Robert Gilliland, of Middlesex township. Five children were the fruits of this marriage, as follows: Ephraim O.; Alphretta, wife of William McKibben; Evaline; Margaret, and John, the last two of whom are dead. Mr. Thompson was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

Ephraim O. Thompson, eldest son of James C. and Elizabeth J. Thompson, was born upon the homestead farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, February 7, 1852, received a common school education, and has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits, in which he has been highly successful. He was married June 22, 1875, to Elizabeth Goodwin, a daughter of Thomas Goodwin, and has four children: Elizabeth J.; James E.; Clara E., and Ephraim R. Politically, Mr. Thompson is a Republican, and is the assessor and collector of Middlesex township. Both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

John Thompson was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, in 1795, son of William and Mary Thompson. He was reared upon a farm, and learned the hatter's trade, which he followed in connection with tilling his farm. He assisted in surveying Middlesex township, and was one of the well known citizens of pioneer days. He married Hettie Dunbar, a daughter of Moses Dunbar, of Middlesex township, and was the father of four children, as follows: William Ross; Mary J., wife of Samuel Riley; Elizabeth, wife of Alfred Richardson, and Harriet K., deceased. Mr. Thompson was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church, and was a trustee in that denomination. He took quite an active interest in public affairs, was first a Whig, and then a Republican, and filled at different periods most of the township offices. He died upon the old homestead, October 9, 1885; his widow resides with their son, William Ross.

William Ross Thompson was born upon the old homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, August 22, 1844, and has spent his entire life in his native township. He resides upon the farm settled by his father, upon which he has eleven producing oil wells, and many others in process of going down. He is a trustee in the Presbyterian church, and is also the superintendent of the Sabbath school. Mr. Thompson is one of the enterprising and progressive farmers of his township, and always takes an active interest in public matters.

William Thompson was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1797, and was a son of William and Mary Thompson. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and learned the shoemaker's trade, which he

followed in connection with agriculture. He married, in 1828, Mrs. Renison, a daughter of Hugh Gilliland, of Middlesex township, and was the father of the following children: James; Sarah B., who married Abel Comstock; Harriet, who married William Fleming; John; Robert G., who served in Company D, Eleventh Reserve; William S.; Hugh C., who served in Company E, One Hundred and Ninety-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers; one that died in infancy, and Kesiah E., who married James Harbison. Mr. Thompson purchased the present homestead of Mrs. Collins, September 15, 1846, and resided upon it down to his death, September 5, 1883. His wife died March 5, 1881. They were members of the Presbyterian church, in which body he filled the office of trustee. In early life he was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. He spent eighty-six years within the boundaries of Butler county, and endured all the privations and trials incident to pioneer life.

William S. Thompson, fourth son of William Thompson, Jr., was born upon his father's farm, in Middlesex township, Butler county, in November, 1840, received a common school education, and has followed farming and oil producing. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Harrisburg, then went to Camp Curtin, where he was promoted from first corporal to fifth sergeant. The regiment next went to Baltimore, and then to Washington, D. C., and afterwards to Fort Slemmer, where it remained until September. He was present in the battle of South Mountain, and also served at Antietam, thence returned to Washington City, where the regiment went into camp. Mr. Thompson was in the hospital at Washington for some time, whence he returned to his regiment, which went into winter quarters in November, 1862. The following January he was sent to Emery Hospital, where he was honorably discharge February 24, 1863, and returned to his home. He was married October 6, 1864, to Sarah D., a daughter of Capt. William Scott, of Bakerstown, killed at the battle of Fair Oaks. Six children have been born to this union, as follows: Etta M., wife of John V. Walters; William S.; Mary I., wife of Finley A. McIntosh; Harriet O.; Leon A., and Sanderson D., the last three of whom are dead. Mr. Thompson is a member of the Presbyterian church, is a trustee in that body, and in politics, he is a Republican. He is also connected with the I. O. O. F., and the Jr. O. U. A. M., and is a member of Capt. William Scott Post, Number 470, G. A. R.

James Harbison was born in eastern Pennsylvania in 1771, and was one of the earliest settlers of Butler county. He learned the wheelwright's trade in Westmoreland county, and settled in Butler county in 1794–95, locating on a farm in what is now Middlesex township, known as the Harbison homestead. This farm he cleard and improved, building his cabin in the midst of the primitive forest, and enduring all the trials and privations of pioneer life. In 1797 he married Mary Brown, daughter of George Brown, of Middlesex township, to which union were born ten children, as follows: Matthew; Mary, who married David Morehead; George; James; John; William; Robert; Margaret; Thompson, and Samuel, all of whom are dead with the exception of Robert, Margaret and Thompson. Mr. Harbison and wife were members of the Seceder church,

and in politics, he was an adherent of the Whig party. He died upon his farm in 1843; his widow survived him until 1866.

Robert Harbison, oldest living child of James and Mary Harbison, was born upon his father's homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, January 7, 1811. He grew to manhood surrounded by the usual scenes of pioneer life, assisting his parents in the duties of the farm. On June 29, 1840, he married Catherine Scott, a daughter of John Scott, of Allegheny county, and is the father of eight children: Sarah, deceased, who married John Allison; Mary; Margaret, who married William Miller; Catherine, who married Abraham Cunningham; Ordelia, wife of William Flick; Lyda; Robert, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Harbison is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is an unswerving Republican.

Samuel McBride was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1794, came to Butler county with his parents in 1796, and here grew to manhood. He was married in 1827, to Margaret J. Beery, a daughter of Jacob Beery, and they were the parents of eight children, as follows: Mary A., who married Thomas Stewart; John M.; Margaret J.; Frances M., who married Thomas Denny; William B., deceased; Alabama, wife of William H. Weitzel; Rebecca E., wife of Samuel Leslie, and Elizabeth, deceased. Mr. McBride followed farming in Middlesex township, and both he and wife spent their lives in this county, dying upon the old homestead. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he was first a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. Their son William B., enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died soon after the battle of Fredericksburg, from a fever. Their eldest son, John M. McBride, was born upon the homestead, in Middlesex township, February 26, 1829, has always been engaged in farming, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, is an adherent of the Republican party.

Thomas Park, Sr., was born in eastern Pennsylvania in 1742, there grew to manhood, and learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed in connection with farming. He came to Butler county, late in the Eighteenth century and settled upon a farm in what is now Middlesex township, where he died in 1832. He was the father of eight children, as follows: John; David; Samuel; James; Thomas; Joseph, and two daughters, all of whom are dead Mr. Park was a member of the Presbyterian church, but he died at such an early day that few of the present generation remember him.

Thomas Park was born in eastern Pennsylvania in 1794, learned the blacksmith's trade and also engaged in farming. He came to Butler county with his father, and resided here until his death, in 1839. In 1817 he married Sarah B. Scott, whose parents were early settlers of Butler county, and was the father of seven children: James; John; William; Mary A, who married Wilson David; Thomas; David, and Nancy J. Mrs. Park died in 1844, surviving her husband five years. They were members of the Seceder church, and in politics, he was a Whig.

William Park was born upon his father's homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, October 8, 1824, and was the third son of Thomas and

Sarah B. Park. His education was obtained in a subscription school, and his entire life was spent in agricultural pursuits. He married Clara A., a daughter of Jonas Morrison, of Middlesex township, to which union were born eleven children, as follows: Albert; Harvey, deceased; William; James; Charles; Joseph, deceased; Harry; Elizabeth, wife of William Ross; Margaret, wife of William Morrow; Nellie, and Harriet. Mr. Park was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and was a trusteee in that denomination for many years. In politics, he was a Democrat. He died June 1, 1894.

HARRY M. PARK was born upon the homestead farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, April 15, 1862, son of William and Clara A. Park. He received a common school education, and has always been engaged in farming. On December 28, 1879, he married Cassie E. Fulton, a daughter of James B. Fulton, of Middlesex township, and is the father of three children: Howard R.; Ethel F., and Zella E. Politically, Mr. Park is a Democrat, and is now filling the position of school director. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of that denomination.

JACOB FLICK was born in eastern Pennsylvania in 1721, grew to manhood in that part of the State, and served in the Revolutionary war. He married Miss Mary Matthews, also a native of Pennsylvania, and settled in what is now Middlesex township, Butler county, in 1801, where he resided until his death, in 1809. His widow survived until 1843. They were the parents of eight children, all of whom are dead. Their names are as follows: George; John; Henry; Joseph; Elizabeth, who married William Kennedy; Catherine, who married Thomas Kennedy; Sarah, who married William Leedom, and Rachel, who married Samuel Phillips. Mr. Flick was one of the very earliest settlers of Butler county, and endured all the privations and dangers incident to that period.

HENRY FLICK was born upon the homestead farm, in what is now Middlesex township, Butler county, and was one of the first children born within the boundaries of the township. He grew to maturity inured to the hardships and trials of pioneer days, and did well his part in clearing and improving the country. About 1817 he married Mary Snyder, a daughter of William Snyder, of Middlesex township, to which union were born twelve children. Their names are as follows: George, and Nimrod, both deceased; Margaret, who married Menamee List; Jonathan; Barbara A., who married Daniel McElwain; Mary E., who married Edward Holmes; Catherine, who became the wife of John Montgomery; Jacob B.; Hiram; Rachel, who married James Hemphill; Sarah C., wife of Alexander Cunningham, and James S., deceased. Mr. Flick died in 1853, and his widow, March 15, 1877. They were members of the Presbyterian church, in which he filled the office of trustee. In early days he was a Whig, remained faithful to the principles of that party down to his death, and occupied many of the minor positions in his township. He was a member of the State Militia, and a man of some local influence during the early days of the county's history.

JACOB B. FLICK was born April 9, 1833, upon his father's farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, received a common school education, and learned the blacksmith's trade, at which he worked for thirty-three years, in connection

with farming. On September 13, 1855, he married Eliza A. Criner, a daughter of John Criner, of Middlesex township, who bore him three children: Alzina; Henry N., and Lily A., the last mentioned being the only survivor, and now the wife of William J. Gillespie. Mrs. Flick died November 28, 1865. He was again married July 24, 1866, to Mary J. Walling, a daughter of Carhart Walling, of Franklin township. In 1858 Mr. Flick purchased the John Criner farm in Middlesex township, upon which he has since resided. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, has been a trustee and Sabbath school superintendent, and is now a member of the session. Politically, he is a Republican, and has been constable and collector of his township. Mr. Flick is a descendant of one of the first settlers of western Pennsylvania.

Absalom Monks, Sr., was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1774, and was reared as a farmer in his native county. He served under General Wayne in the Indian war from 1792 to 1795, and in the latter year settled in Pittsburg. He came to Butler county in 1801, purchased 212 acres of land in Middlesex township, in 1802, now known as the Monks farm, built a cabin thereon and commenced clearing and improving his purchase. He married Margaret Bell, who died without issue. On May 3, 1810, he married Catherine Kennedy, a daughter of Martin Kennedy, and the young couple took up their residence upon the farm which Monks had settled eight years before. Here they spent the remaining years of their lives, peacefully following agricultural pursuits. They were the parents of nine children, as follows: Rebecca, who married James Ewing; Mary A., who married Joseph Williamson; Margaret, who became the wife of James Morehead; Absalom; Catherine A.; Martin; Phoebe; Isabella, and John W., all of whom are dead with the exception of Absalom and John W. Mr. Monks and wife were members of the Seceder church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Whig party.

Absalom Monks, son of Absalom and Catherine Monks, was born upon the old homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, October 5, 1817, grew up upon the farm, and worked at the blacksmith's trade and farming. He was married March 14, 1850, to Harriet Chantler, a daughter of Thomas Chantler, of Middlesex township, and is the father of six children, four of whom survive, as follows: Thomas; Martin; William J., and Catherine A., wife of Robert Harbison. He is now the owner of the old homestead, upon which he has seven producing oil wells, and is one of the substantial farmers of the community. Mr. Monks is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a trustee in that organization. He is an adherent of the Republican party.

Martin Monks, second son of Absalom and Harriet Monks, was born in Clinton township, Butler county, February 14, 1857, received a public school education, and is a farmer and oil producer, having now four producing wells upon his farm. On February 12, 1879, he married Cordella Hickey, a daughter of Wendell Hickey, of Middlesex township, and is the father of seven children: Leuella B.; Warner S.; Martin R.; Sarah M.; Harriet; Albert, and Emery H. Mr. Monks and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

W. J. Manter

THOMAS TRIMBLE was born in the north of Ireland, grew to manhood in his native land, and immigrated to the United States in 1790. In 1807 he settled upon what is known as the Trimble farm, in Middlesex township, Butler county, where he resided until his death, in 1837. He was a member of the Seceder church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Whig party. Mr. Trimble was the father of five children, as follows: Mary; Margaret; Satia; Nancy, and Samuel. He has numerous descendants in this part of the State, many of whom are residents of Butler county.

SAMUEL TRIMBLE was born in Shippensville, Clarion county, Pennsylvania, in 1798, and was nine years old when his parents located in Butler county. He attended the little log school house of pioneer days, during the winter seasons, and grew up inured to the hardships incident to that period. He was married three times; first to Isabella Thompson, of Middlesex township, who became the mother of one son, Thomas. His second wife was Ellen C. Beery, a daughter of Jacob Beery, of Middlesex township, who bore him two children: Robert, and William F. His third wife was Elizabeth Love, of Clinton township, to which union four children were born, as follows: John H.; Thomas, who was a member of the Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died from disease contracted in the service; James, and Margaret. Mr. Trimble was a member of the Seceder church, was a Whig in politics, and belonged to the State Militia during his early manhood. He died April 10, 1855.

ROBERT TRIMBLE, eldest son of Samuel and Ellen C. (Beery) Trimble, was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, March 12, 1829, and received a meager education in the early schools of his neighborhood, attending the common school the first day it was legally opened under the common school law of 1834. He was reared upon his father's farm, and served four years' apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade with S. G. Purvis, of Butler. He worked for Mr. Purvis as a journeyman for several years, and also assisted in the erection of the court house, in 1855. In that year he located upon his present farm, where he has since resided, devoting his attention to agriculture. He was married April 14, 1857, to Eliza A. Hays, a daughter of William M. Hays, of Middlesex township, and has seven children, as follows: Samuel C.; Eliza J., wife of W. A. Denny; Ruth E., wife of John Turner; William H.; Margaret A.; Mary, and Martha. Mr. Trimble is a Republican, has filled nearly all of the township offices, is a man of much influence in his community, and is well known throughout the county.

JOHN CRINER was born in eastern Pennsylvania, in April, 1787, was reared in his native county, and came to Butler county in 1815, where his mother purchased in that year the present Criner homestead, in Middlesex township. He married Nancy Reed, who became the mother of the following children: Philip, deceased; James; Leslie; William, and John, both deceased; Satia A., wife of George Sweeney; Margaret, wife of George W. Porter; Mary, who married William Hazlett, and Eliza A., deceased wife of Jacob B. Flick. Mr. Criner died in 1871, and his widow in 1872. They were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican.

William Criner was born on the old homestead farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, September 26, 1816, and was the fourth son of John and Nancy Criner. He was reared a farmer, and received a meager education in the subscription schools of that period. In March, 1846, he married Lucinda Pearce, a daughter of Francis Pearce, of Butler county, and had one son, Wilson P. Mr. Criner died in 1879; his widow resides with her son upon the old homestead farm. In politics, Mr. Criner was a Republican, but gave little attention to political affairs, devoting his time to the cultivation of his farm.

Wilson P. Criner was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, February 22, 1847, received a public school education, and learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed in connection with agricultural pursuits. He married Isabella McKay, a daughter of Alexander McKay, of Butler county, to which union, six children have been born, as follows: Charles C.; Henry E.; Minnie P.; Aubrey S.; Irene B., and Mattie A. In politics, Mr. Criner is a Republican, and has held the office of constable in his township. He is one of the enterprising farmers of his community.

James Campbell, Sr., was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, of Scotch extraction, there married Margaret Congen, and in 1801, with his wife and three children, Margaret, Sarah and William, he immigrated to this country and settled near Kennet Square, Chester county, Pennsylvania. Here were born two sons and two daughters, viz.: James; Ellen; Hetty Jane, and Thompson. The father worked by the day, as he could find employment, until 1811, when the family moved to Lancaster county, and settled on a rented farm in Dunmore township. Here Margaret died in 1814. In 1818 the family moved to Washington county, and six years later to Allegheny county. In 1828 Mr. Campbell purchased a farm in Middlesex township, Butler county, upon which he located the same year and began the work of making a home in the unbroken forest. Here he continued to reside until his death, January 6, 1836. His widow survived until 1843. They were strict Presbyterians, and among the respected people of the community. Their son William, who was engaged in merchandising at Pittsburg, died December 6, 1835, and Thompson, December 6, 1868. The latter was a prominent and able lawyer, and practiced his profession in Illinois for some years, where he became secretary of state, and also represented the Galena district in Congress. In 1852 he was appointed one of the United States land commissioners for California, and subsequently practiced law with great success in the San Francisco courts. Ellen, who married T. H. Lyon, died January 5, 1877, and Sarah, May 2, 1881. James, the last survivor of the family, was a leading merchant of Butler for a long period, and died in that borough November 16, 1886.

Philip Snyder was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1774, was reared in his native county, and came to Butler county in 1815. He purchased the White farm, in what is now Middlesex township, consisting of 200 acres, which he cleared and improved. Before coming to this county he married Barbara Conkle, a daughter of William Conkle, of Lancaster county. Eleven children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Mary, who married Henry Flick

John; Michael; Elizabeth, who married Barney Stepp; Jacob; Margaret; Philip; Samuel; George; Barbara, wife of David M. Dibell, and William. Mr. Snyder died on his farm in 1850, and his wife in 1855. They were members of the Seceder church, and among the well remembered pioneers of the township.

William Snyder was born on the homestead farm, in Middlesex township, Butler county, March 22, 1822, and is the youngest in the family of Philip and Barbara Snyder. He grew up upon his father's farm, following the usual routine of a farmer's life, and has never been engaged in any other vocation. He was married January 18, 1849, to Mary A., a daughter of John Brown, of Middlesex township, and to this union have been born six children: Philip C.; John G.; Jennie E., wife of George Stepp; George M.; Barbara M., and William S., the last two of whom are dead. Mr. Snyder is an adherent of the Republican party, and has been superivsor of his township for two terms.

Samuel Crooks was a native of Derry county, Ireland, born about 1781, and came to Massachusetts about 1801, where he found employment in a paper mill. From there he came to Wilkinsburg, Allegheny county, and thence to Middlesex township, Butler county, where he engaged in farming. About 1827 he moved to the Rev. Francis' farm, and afterwards purchased 100 acres of land near Glade Mills, from Oliver David, where he died in 1866. About 1811 he married Miss Louisa Priest, of Massachusetts, who came with him to western Pennsylvania. They were the parents of ten children, as follows: James; Lily, who married Henry Runyon, and after his death James McElwain; Jane, who married Stephen Dunbar; Mary, who became the wife of James McCollum; Margaret, who married Moses Dunbar; John M.; William; Anna, who married Armstrong Renison; Louisa, who married George Lyon, and Susan, wife of Samuel Newell. Mr. Crooks was a supporter of the Democratic party, and filled the office of school director for a number of years.

John M. Crooks was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, August 4, 1821, son of Samuel and Louisa Crooks. He received his education in the common schools, and was reared upon his father's farm. In October, 1861, he enlisted in Company A, Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served under Gen. James S. Negley and General Woods. He was in the second day's fight at Shiloh, April 7, 1862, was then detailed to the baggage train from Shiloh to Corinth, and was fifty-two days on the march, siege and capture of Corinth. From there his command went to Bridgeport, Alabama, then camped on Mount Zuma, crossed the mountains, and participated in the battle of Chickamauga, where the regiment was badly cut up and forced to retreat to Chattanooga. It remained there two months, until the battle of Missionary Ridge, was then re-organized, and became a part of General Sherman's army. He took part in all of the battles up to Atlanta, was then sent to Nashville, and was honorably discharged at Kingston, Georgia, October 11, 1864. Returning to his home he resumed his farm duties, and has since continued in agricultural pursuits. In November, 1862, he married Martha J. Scott, a daughter of Thomas Scott, of Middlesex township, and is the father of the following children: Emma, deceased; Samuel; Ida, wife of Alfred King, of Clearfield county; William;

Edwin; Blanche, and Maud. Politically, Mr. Crooks is a Republican, and has filled several of the minor offices in his township.

Thomas Adams was a native of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, born in 1817, and came with his parents to Middlesex township, Butler county, about 1827. He was reared in this township, and married Annie Crawford, a daughter of John Crawford, of Allegheny county, in 1856. They were the parents of two children: Mary J., deceased, and Joseph W. In 1861 Mr. Adams enlisted in company K, Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Colonel Kirby, and served through the war. He was killed in the last battle of the Richmond campaign, immediately before the surrender of Lee. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a stanch Douglas Democrat.

Joseph W. Adams was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1861, was educated in the common schools and afterwards attended the Pittsburg High School, Duff's Commercial College, and Smith's Business College. He subsequently entered the State Normal School, at Edinboro, and then the Albany Law School, at Albany, New York, which completed his education. Mr. Adams was married June 3, 1879, to Theresa Twiford, a daughter of John Twiford, of Allegheny county, and has four children: Victoria; Sarah; Joseph, deceased, and Horace. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

James D. Harbison was born upon the Harbison homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, received a common school education, and followed farming as a vocation. He married Kesiah E. Thompson, a daughter of William Thompson, of Middlesex township, in 1865. They are the parents of seven children, as follows: John T.; Cyrus L.; William J.; Jennie B., wife of Henry Knauff, of Middlesex township; Arthur F.; Leonard M., and Raleigh L. The parents are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which body Mr. Harbison has filled the office of trustee. In politics, he is a Republican. He is now residing at Haviland, Allegheny county.

William J. Harbison, son of James D., and Kesiah E. Harbison, was born upon the homestead in Middlesex township, Butler county, October 19, 1868. After receiving a public school education, he learned the carpenter's and painter's trades, which he followed in connection with farming. He has now charge of the old homestead, and devotes his attention to agriculture. On January 25, 1893, he married Ida M. Maizland, a daughter of George Maizland, of Clinton township. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Friend Buxton was born in Washington county, Virginia, October 2, 1818, was reared in his native county, and learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades, also the cooper's trade. On November 3, 1840, he married Jane Park, a daughter of James Park, of Wesmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and the following year the young couple came to Butler county, where Mr. Buxton worked at his trade, in connection with farming, for about seventeen years. He then purchased the Lynn farm, in Middlesex township, in 1858, upon which he resided until his death, May 31, 1882. His widow resides upon the homestead farm with her son, Robert W. They were the parents of seven children, as follows:

James; John, deceased; Robert W.; Martha J., wife of Andrew Ekas; Elizabeth D., wife of Charles Dietrich; Melissa, wife of Christopher Fredley, and Rachel. Mr. Buxton was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Democratic party.

Robert W. Buxton was born upon the homestead farm, in Middlesex township, Butler county, May 11, 1846. He was reared upon the farm, and received a common school education. He has been twice married; first to Mary Carnahan, a daughter of John Carnahan, of Allegheny county, September 10, 1875, who bore him a family of four children: Charles; Eliza J., deceased; John, and Miller W. Mrs. Buxton died January 22, 1882. His second wife was Mrs. Martha H. Norris, a daughter of Capt. G. W. Hays, whom he married January 7, 1886. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, is an elder in that denomination, has also filled the office of trustee, and is superintendent of the Sabbath school. In politics, he is a Prohibitionist.

Robert Miller was born in Derry county, Ireland, July 1, 1802, was reared in his native land, and there learned the weaver's trade. In 1827 he immigrated to Philadelphia, where he resided for seven years, then came to Butler county, and purchased the McGowan farm in Middlesex township, containing sixty-seven acres. He resided upon this farm down to his death, which occurred February 7, 1891. Mr. Miller was married about 1828, to Elizabeth Bigger, a daughter of William Bigger, of Philadelphia, to which union were born eleven children, six of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Joseph, deceased; William; Mary A., who married William J. Whiteside; Elizabeth, who married Henry Sefton; Benjamin, deceased, and Robert J. The mother died in April, 1884, some seven years before her husband. Mr. Miller and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he held the offices of trustee and treasurer. In politics, he was successively a Whig and Republican, and filled the positions of overseer and township supervisor.

William Miller, eldest living son of Robert and Elizabeth Miller, was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, July 10, 1839. He received a common school education, and was reared upon his father's farm. On December 22, 1864, he married Margaret A. Harbison, a daughter of Robert Harbison, of Middlesex township, to which union have been born fifteen children, as follows: Ida E., wife of James H. Park; Clara C., wife of Thomas G. Kennedy; Ora D., wife of William B. Hennihan; Sarah J., wife of George Stepp; Mary B., deceased; Annie M.; Robert W.; Benjamin C., deceased; Wilbert H.; Ardelia M.; Laura L.; Ella S.; Edna G.; Alvin C., and Erla E. In 1874 Mr. Miller purchased the Hyle farm, in Middlesex township, containing ninety acres, upon which he now resides. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church and has filled the offices of trustee and treasurer in that organization. Politically, he is a Republican, and has been a member of the school board of his township.

James Kingan was born in eastern Pennsylvania in 1805, there grew to manhood and learned the bricklayer's trade. He afterwards removed to Pittsburg, and in 1840 he came to Butler county, and purchased a farm of 100 acres in Middlesex township. He resided upon this place until his death, in 1869. He married Ann E., a daughter of Adam Mahood, of Penn township, and to

this union were born eight children: Elizabeth, deceased; Nancy J., wife of James Flick; Samuel J.; Mary W.; Robert A.; James, deceased; Margaret S., and William, deceased. Mr. Kingan was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

SAMUEL J. KINGAN was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, April 6, 1853, son of James and Ann E. Kingan. He received a common school education, and has resided upon a farm all his life. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and a supporter of the Republican party. Mr. Kingan married Martha Black, a daughter of Robert Black, of Middlesex township, June 13, 1872. Six children are the fruits of this union, as follows: James E.; Maggie O.; Bessie J.; Clara G.; Lottie M., and one that died in early youth.

WILLIAM MARKS was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1819, and grew to manhood in his native land. About 1843 he immigrated to Philadelphia, where he married Eliza, a daughter of George Whiteside, of that city, and soon afterwards came to Butler county, and located on what is now known as the Ogden farm, in Middlesex township. He subsequently removed into Allegheny county, where he followed farming and stock-dealing until 1879, when he again came to Butler county, and resided here until 1883. In that year he returned to Allegheny county, and remained in that county until his death, in June, 1885. Nine children were born to William and Eliza Marks, as follows: Mary A., wife of Samuel Rankin; John, deceased; Eliza J., wife of William J. Shepherd; George, deceased; William J.; James; Robert A.; Sarah A., wife of Thomas Marshall, and Margaret L., wife of Dr. W. C. McCandless. Mr. Marks was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

WILLIAM J. MARKS was born in Hampton township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, December 22, 1857, and is a son of William and Eliza Marks. When thirteen years of age he went to work in a store, and has ever since been connected with merchandising. He is now located at Glade Mills, Butler county, where he is carrying on a general store. Mr. Marks married Sadie J. Starr, a daughter of William Starr, of Concord township. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and one of the liberal supporters of that denomination. In politics, he has always been a Republican, has filled the offices of township treasurer and clerk, has represented his township in the county conventions for several years, and has been a very active participant in local political affairs. He is a member of the oil firm of McCandless & Marks, who have extensive territory in Middlesex township, known as the Glade Mills field.

DR. JOSIAH MCCANDLESS was born in Centre township, Butler county, upon the old McCandless homestead, March 6, 1816, and was a son of William McCandless, one of the early settlers of Centre township. He was educated at the Butler Academy, followed clerking in Ohio, commenced reading medicine with Dr. J. Whittaker, of Allegheny, under whom he studied three years, and located at Unionville, Butler county, in 1839. He practiced his profession in that locality until his death, which occurred January 5, 1875. Dr. McCandless married Keziah, a daughter of John S. and Martha T. McCandless, June 18, 1854. Ten children were born to this union, as follows: Everett S.; William

C.; Josiah L.; Laura K., who married Robert Kirkpatrick; Ada; Addison; Elmer; Quincy; Edith J., and one that died in infancy. The survivors of the family are William C., Josiah L., and Edith J. The parents were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, Dr. McCandless was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican. Throughout his long residence in Centre township, he enjoyed a very large practice, and was held in high esteem by the community at large.

William C. McCandless, physician and surgeon, was born on the homestead farm in Centre township, Butler county, October 6, 1857, and was reared beneath the parental roof. After receiving a public school education, he spent several years at Witherspoon Institute, subsequently attended school at Waynesburg, and at the National Normal School, Lebanon, Ohio. He commenced reading medicine with Dr. A. M. Neyman, of Butler, attended lectures for three years at Jefferson Medical College, and graduated from that institution in 1880. He opened an office at Glade Mills, where he has since continued in practice. Dr. McCandless married Mary C., daughter of John Grubbs, of Butler county, February 3, 1880. She died March 18, 1886, leaving three children: Josiah M.; Everett L., and Erla E. He was again married, July 31, 1887, to Lulu M., a daughter of William Marks, who is the mother of two children: William P., and Ruth L. Dr. McCandless is known as a great student, and since beginning practice he has built up a successful business. As a member of the firm of McCandless & Marks, he is an extensive oil operator, and has fine producing territory in Middlesex township.

John Ferguson was born in Pine township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, May 30, 1846, and is the eldest son of John and Mary Ferguson. His father was a native of Down county, Ireland, born in 1807, and married Mary Duff. They were the parents of six children, as follows: Elizabeth, who married William Young; Mary, who married William Marshall; Nancy, who married William Laughlin, and after his death William Douglass; John; Jennie, wife of John Scott, and Thomas. Mr. Ferguson resided in Allegheny county until his death, June 28, 1891. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a supporter of the Democratic party. The subject of this sketch grew to manhood upon his father's farm, and on September 15, 1868, he married Nancy E. Crawford, a daughter of Robert Crawford, of Allegheny county. Eight children have been born to this union, as follows: Harry; Robert; Mary M.; John; Emma E.; Thomas; Royal, and Clara. Mr. Ferguson is a practical farmer, has taken advantage of all the improvements in modern machinery, and is one of the successful agriculturists of Middlesex township. Politically, he is a Republican, has filled the office of school director, and has been assistant auditor for three terms. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Bakerstown, Allegheny county, and has been a trustee in that organization for fourteen years.

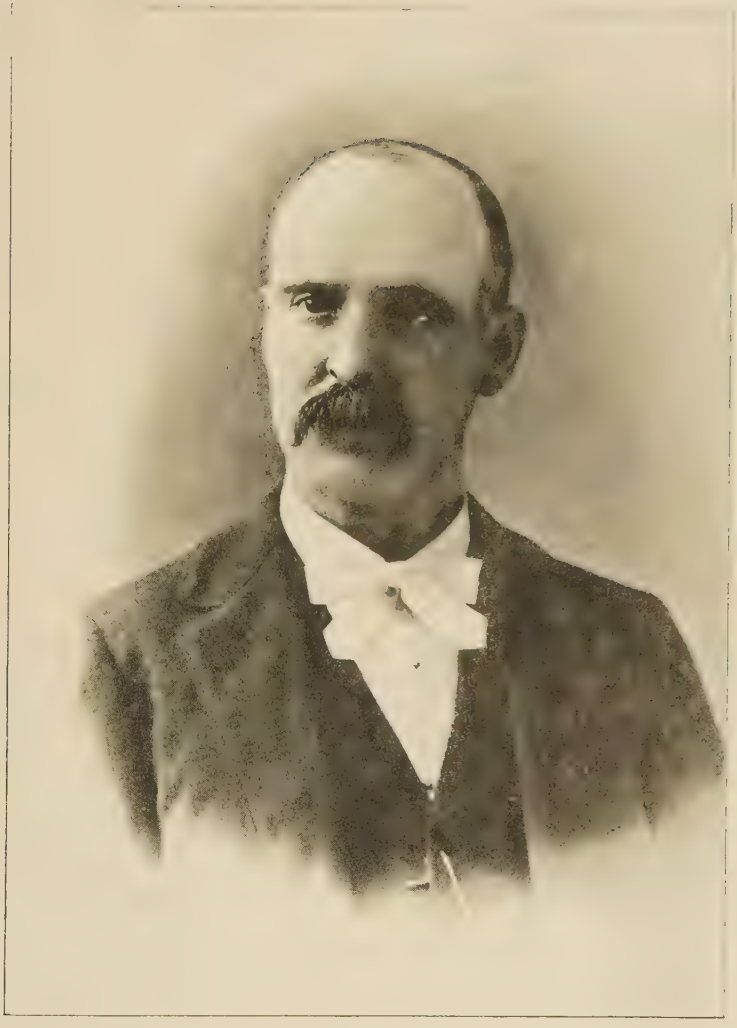
Rev. David T. McCalmont, pastor of Glade Run United Presbyterian church, was born near Hickory, Washington county, Pennsylvania, September 6, 1860. His father, John McCalmont, was a native of eastern Pennsylvania, where he was born August 18, 1818. John McCalmont removed to Washington

county with his parents when but eight years of age, there grew to manhood, and followed the vocation of a farmer. On April 15, 1842, he married Miss Mary A. Moore, a daughter of John Moore, of Washington county. This union was blessed with eight children, as follows: Margaret N.; John H.; Samuel A.; James A.; William A.; Mary A., wife of John P. White, of Washington county; Jennie E., wife of Robert G. Jeffrey of the same county, and David T. Mr. McCalmont was a life-long member of the United Presbyterian church, was a man of enterprise and public spirit, and died March 10, 1893. The subject of this sketch received his primary education in the public schools of his native county, subsequently attended McDonald Academy, and Westminister College, New Wilmington, Lawrence county, and finally entered Allegheny Theological College. He was ordained June 29, 1890, but took charge of the Glade Run church May 18, of the same year, where he has since been engaged in the duties of the ministry. Mr. McCalmont was married June 5, 1890, to Miss Leoline Donaldson, a daughter of Jacob M. Donaldson, of Washington county, and has two children: Howard D., and Mary Mildred. Since coming to Butler county he has won the respect and confidence of the people of this community, and stands well both as a citizen and a minister of the gospel.

John B. Mahan was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1818, son of Robert Mahan, a native of Cumberland county, born in 1791. His father was a soldier in the War of 1812, and in 1816 he married Sallie Barr, a daughter of John Barr, of Westmoreland county, who bore him a family of six children, as follows: John B.; Eliza, who married Robert Crawford; Mary J., who became the wife of Archibald Glasgow; Sarah A., who married Samuel Dickson; Robert A., and William A. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, received his schooling in one of the pioneer schools of the neighborhood, and has always followed agricultural pursuits. On March 2, 1843, he married Sarah J. Dickson, a daughter of John Dickson, of Allegheny county, to which union were born the following children: Robert H.; Lida, wife of Samuel Ekas; Randall R.; Shaffer, and Sarah J., wife of Wilson Cooper. In 1864 Mr. Mahan purchased 150 acres of land in Middlesex township, Butler county, upon which he has since resided. His wife died in 1875, and in 1877 he married Mrs. Huldah A. Greer, a daughter of William Dunning, of Washington county. She had one son by her first marriage, John W. Greer. Mr. Mahan has been an elder in the United Presbyterian church for the past forty-four years. In politics, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director and supervisor.

Shaffer Mahan was born in Allegheny county, April 18, 1859, and is the third son of John B. and Sarah J. Mahan. He received a common school education, and has spent his life upon a farm. On June 18, 1879, he was married to Annie Burtner, a daughter of William Burtner, of Clinton township, and is the father of the following children: William J.; Samuel S., deceased; Sarah J.; John G.; Harper, and Floyd. Mr. Mahan is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is an adherent of the Republican party.

Randall Ross Mahan, son of John B. and Sarah J. (Dickson) Mahan, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, November 10, 1854, received a



W. S. W. Ruschenberger M.D.

common school education, and has followed agricultural pursuits up to the present. He was married April 10, 1878, to Mary A. Chantler, a daughter of Thomas Chantler, of Middlesex township, and has six children: John E.; Sarah E.; Thomas C.; Ida B.; Charles R., and Howard D. In politics, Mr. Mahan is a Republican, and is inspector of elections in his township. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

William A. Mahan, youngest in the family of Robert and Sallie Mahan, was born in Pine township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, October 4, 1836, where his parents had removed from Westmoreland county. He was reared upon his father's farm and received a common school education. He was married December 10, 1857, to Nancy Fulton, a daughter of Samuel Fulton, of Middlesex township. Ten children have been the fruits of this union, as follows: Robert J.; Samuel F.; Sarah J., who married James Frazier; James A.; Nancy B., wife of William Hay; William B., deceased; Annie, who married Lafayette Kelly; Eliza E., wife of Charles A. Klingensmith; Jessie H., wife of Stephen S. Donaldson, and Wilda. Mr. Mahan came to Butler county, in November, 1871, and purchased a portion of the Fulton farm in Middlesex township, where he still resides. He has two producing wells upon his farm, from which he receives a good income. Mr. Mahan and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which body he has filled the position of trustee. He is a Republican in politics, and has filled the offices of school director and supervisor in Middlesex township.

Hamilton Gillespie was a native of Butler township, Butler county, born May 15, 1817, was reared upon a farm, and learned the hatter's trade. In March, 1843, he married Demans Gray, a daughter of William Gray, of Connoquenessing township, and settled in Whitestown, where he resided until his death, January 13, 1892. The following children were born to this union: Julia A., who married Arthur Hillman; Hiram; William J; Alexander W.; Mary; Catherine, who married Robert Thompson; Emma, and Alva H. Mr. Gillespie was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

William J. Gillespie, son of Hamilton Gillespie, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, April 21, 1847, and was reared upon the homestead farm. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, was sent to Fort Ethan Allen, then to Washington, D. C., and next did guard duty on the Orange and Alexandria railroad, whence he returned to Fort Ethan Allen, and was honorably discharged June 13, 1865. On January 15, 1879, Mr. Gillespie married Lily A. Flick, daughter of Jacob B. Flick, of Middlesex township. Seven children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Eliza A.; Hiram G.; Henry A. K.; Sarah M.; Alice M.; Jacob F., and Maude. Mr. Gillespie has followed merchandising for several years at Flick, and is the postmaster of that office, which was named in honor of his father-in law.

Adam Newell was born in eastern Pennsylvania, received a common school education, and learned the cooper's trade. He came to Butler county some years after reaching his maturity, and settled in Middlesex township, where he died in 1859. He was twice married. By his first marriage he was the father of five

children: Birchard; James; Suly, who married David List; Mary, who married a Mr. Powell, and Sarah J. His second wife was Christina Butler, who became the mother of seven children: Elizabeth, wife of Patterson Grubbs; Samuel; William; David; Matilda, wife of John Messenger; Maria, wife of John McDonald, and John, who was drowned in youth. Mrs. Newell died in 1879, surviving her husband twenty years. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, was a supporter of the Democratic party.

David Newell, third son of Adam and Christina Newell, was born in Middlesex township, Butler county, July 4, 1846. He was reared in his native township and has always been engaged in farming. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered in at Camp Reynolds. Proceeding to Washington, D. C., the regiment joined the army of the Potomac, and he participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, and several skirmishes, and was honorably discharged in June, 1863. He re-enlisted the following September, in the Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, was sent to Fort Marcy, at the chain bridge, thence to Culpeper Court House, and then returned to Fort Marcy, where the battery remained until the close of the war. He was discharged from the service at Harrisburg, July 2, 1865. Returning to his home he resumed his farm duties. He was married August 16, 1869, to Caroline, a daughter of Moses Dunbar. In 1879 he purchased the James McCollum farm, in Middlesex township, upon which he has since resided. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is an adherent of the Democratic party.

John Fredley was born in Troy Hill, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in April, 1821, son of Jacob Fredley, a native of Switzerland. His father was a carpenter, and followed that business in Allegheny county until his death, in 1832. His mother was Marie Nesser, whom by her marriage to Jacob Fredley, became the mother of six children, as follows: Jacob; Susan, who married Thomas Black; Catherine, who married James Sweeney; John; Marie, deceased, and Daniel. Mrs. Fredley died in 1851. Both she and husband were members of the Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was reared in Allegheny county, where he worked at coal mining until 1859, and then came to Butler county, and purchased the Welsh farm, in Jefferson township. He resided upon that farm for six years, when he bought the Kennedy farm, consisting of seventy-five acres, upon which he has since lived. Mr. Fredley married Catherine McGinty, a daughter of Barney McGinty, of Armstrong county, who died soon afterwards, and he next married Mary Luty, a daughter of Rudolph Luty, of Allegheny county. To this marriage were born eleven children: Catherine; Joseph, and John, all of whom are dead; Christopher; Daniel; William; Mary A., wife of John Ritman; Sarah E., wife of William Snyder; Jacob, and two that died in early youth. Mrs. Fredley died, and he married Mary J. McMillen, a daughter of William McMillen, of Harrisville, Butler county, in 1884. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. In September, 1864, Mr. Fredley enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, joined the army at Petersburg, served in that battle, and in the closing scenes around Richmond down to the surrender of

Lee. He was discharged at Harrisburg, June 6, 1865, and returned to his home, where he has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits.

David M. Dibell was born in Plum township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 29, 1822, son of Michael and Hannah (Metzger) Dibell. His maternal grandfather, Conrad Metzger, came to America from Germany with his parents when four years old, and at the age of sixteen years enlisted in the Continental army and served through the Revolutionary war. He settled in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, afterwards moved to Wayne county, Ohio, and bought a farm, upon which he passed the remainder of his life, dying at the remarkable age of 103 years. His eyesight continued unimpaired to the last, and he never wore glasses. He was married three times, and reared the following children: Polly; David, and Hannah, by first wife; Michael, by second; and James; John; William; Betsy; Peggie, and Peter, by third. Michael Dibell, Sr., was born in Allegheny county in 1789, grew to manhood there, and learned the weaver's and cooper's trades, which he followed in connection with farming. By his marriage to Hannah Metzger, he was the father of seven children, as follows: John; James; Mary; David M.; Margaret, who married George Anderson; Nancy, and Jacob. The mother died in 1831, and in 1840 he married Jennie Kearns, who bore him one son, George. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. The subject of this sketch grew to maturity in Allegheny county, and there learned the carpenter's trade. While working at his trade, he injured one of his hands so severely as to necessitate amputation, and he then engaged in farming. He came to Butler county in 1864, purchased the Brown farm in Middlesex township, and has since resided upon it. He married Barbara, a daughter of Philip Snyder, September 3, 1863. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he is a Republican.

Jacob Reiber was born in Goeningen, Wurtemberg, Germany, May 4, 1818, and is the eldest son of Jacob Reiber, a native of the same place, born in 1788. His father was a dealer in fruit and seed, and married Barbara Haubesauk, a daughter of George Haubesauk, in 1813. The following children were born to this union: Barbara, who married John Simmer; Margaret; Jacob; Mary, who married Jacob Stetsell, and Mrs. John Metzgar. The parents died in 1832. The subject of this sketch learned the baker's trade in his native land, immigrated to New York city in 1834, and remained there for fifteen years. He then came to Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, carried on blacksmithing at that point for nearly two years, and next removed to Summit township, Butler county, where he conducted a store and blacksmith shop, also a hotel and farm. He afterwards purchased the McGill farm, in Middlesex township, which he sold, and then bought the Dr. Blackwood farm upon which he has since lived. In February, 1840, he married Catherine Simmer, a daughter of John Simmer. She died in December, 1841, leaving one son, John. He was again married October 15, 1842, to Elizabeth Marvin, of New York, to which union nine children have been born, as follows: William M.; George W.; Emma, who married William Phillips, and afterwards Alexander McMillan; Rebecca,

deceased wife of W. P. Roessing; Albert S.; Julia, deceased; Charles W.; Elizabeth D., wife of Michael F. Knauff, and Harry A.

Frederick Swartz was born in Germany, in 1822, came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in early youth, where he resided for some years, subsequently spent four years in Ohio, and then located in Allegheny City. He learned the carpenter's trade, and followed that occupation. In 1865 he removed to Butler county, and located on the Carner farm. He was married February 20, 1845, to Sophia Carner, a daughter of John Carner, of Middlesex township, who resided upon the farm where our subject now lives. Ten children were born to this union, as follows: Louisa, who married Frank Schrader; Charles A.; Augustus M.; Mary E., and Christian, both deceased; John L., Luella M.; wife of George Miller; Clara E., wife of William Bailey; Annie F., wife of William Wechter, and William F. Mr. Schwartz was a member of the Church of God, and in politics, he was a Republican. He died in Allegheny, February 17, 1891. His widow resides upon the homestead.

John Rifley, Sr., was born in Canton Berne, Switzerland, about 1807, there grew to maturity and learned the carpenter's trade. About 1830 he married Barbara Sphar, a daughter of John Sphar, to which union were born the following children: Nicholas; Elizabeth, who was twice married, first to Daniel Deer, and afterwards to Abraham Smith; John; Jacob, and Frederick. Early in 1847 the family immigrated to the United States, where the father died the same year in Butler county, Pennsylvania. His widow survived him until 1879.

John Rifley, son of John and Barbara Rifley, was born in Switzerland, March 11, 1838, and came with his parents to the United States in the spring of 1847. After arriving at manhood, in 1858, he went to Pittsfield, Pike county, Illinois, where he was naturalized, and cast his first vote for president in 1860. He remained in Illinois four years, and then returned to Butler county and took charge of the homestead farm during the war, his three brothers being in the service of the Union. Jacob was wounded at the battle of Cold Harbor, was sent to Annapolis Hospital, and then to Pittsburg, whence he returned to the front and served until the close of the war. Mr. Rifley was married May 25, 1865, to Mary A. Lyon, a daughter of John Lyon, of Penn township, to which union have been born the following children: William H.; John A.; Thomas H.; George H.; Etta M., wife of Russell Hays, of Adams township. Mr. Rifley purchased the Haley farm, in Middlesex township, consisting of seventy acres, upon which he now resides. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has held the office of supervisor of his township.

Nicholas Rifley was born in Switzerland, and came to the United States with his family in 1847. He was a carpenter by trade. After the breaking out of the Rebellion he enlisted in the Union army and served through the war. He married Laura Barclay, February 23, 1860. She became the mother of five sons, as follows: John A.; Harry E.; George B.; William H., and Robert E., all of whom except George now reside in Minnesota and the State of Washington. Mr. Rifley was killed July 8, 1869, while working at his trade. His widow died March 8, 1876.

JOSEPH CROFT was a native of England, born about 1786, grew to manhood in his native land, and there learned the carpenter's trade. In 1813 he was married to Mary Humphrey, a daughter of Henry Humphrey, of England, to which union were born eight children, as follows: Frederick; Fannie; Francis; Lewis; Emma, who married William Nesbit; Lewis; William, and Joseph. In 1820 Mr. Croft and family immigrated to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and then removed to New Castle, Lawrence county, whence they came to Butler county. He died here in 1831; his wife survived until June 26, 1854.

LEWIS CROFT was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, May 12, 1821, and is the fourth son of Joseph and Mary Croft. He was reared beneath the parental roof, and on December 18, 1849, he married Mary J. McHenry, a daughter of John McHenry, of Middle Lancaster, Butler county. They are the parents of three children: James A.; Sarah J., wife of George Rasley, of Middlesex township, and Mary E., wife of William Jack, of the same township. For over twenty years Mr. Croft has been a steward in the Methodist Episcopal church, to which denomination he has belonged nearly all his life. Politically, he is a Republican, and has been a school director in his township for twelve years.

JAMES A. CROFT was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, October 22, 1850, received a common school education, and has always followed farming. He was married December 12, 1874, to Mary Henry, a daughter of Joseph Henry, of Butler township, and is the father of seven children, as follows: Minnie B.; John Nelson; Lewis M.; Joseph M.; two that died in infancy, and Albert C. Joseph M., and Albert C., are the only survivors.

THOMAS BAILEY was born in Nottingham, England, July 16, 1832, and came to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1848, being then only sixteen years old. After arriving at maturity he embarked in the hotel and restaurant business on Smithfield street in that city, which he conducted for many years. In 1873 he purchased the William Crooks farm, in Middlesex township, Butler county, and settled upon it. He died soon afterwards, his death occurring March 21, 1873. In 1850 he married Hannah Beasley, a daughter of John Beasley, of Cedar Grove, Indiana. They became the parents of seven children, as follows: Robert, deceased; John W.; George; Thomas; Samuel R.; William, and Joshua. Mr. Bailey was a member of the Episcopal church, and a very worthy citizen. His widow resides upon the old homestead in Middlesex township. Samuel R. Bailey was born in the city of Pittsburg, August 28, 1858, and received his education at the public schools, and Beaver Seminary. There are several good producing wells on the homestead farm.

JOHN W. BURTON was born in Rostraver township, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, July 4, 1822, and is a son of Benjamin Burton, one of the early settlesr of Wesmoreland county. His father was a native of Down county, Ireland, and came with his parents to the United States in early youth. They located in Rostraver township, Westmoreland county, where he grew to manhood, and married Martha Wallace. Eight children were the fruits of this union: Joseph; Mary, who married James T. Wolf; John .; Margaret, who married Thomas S. Wolf; Hetty; Sarah, who married James Dye; Hannah; Elizabeth, who mar-

ried George W. Dower. Benjamin Burton died January 9, 1839; his widow survived until May 7, 1889. They were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch learned the carpenter's trade, and worked in the town of Washington about twenty years, then removed to Allegheny county and settled on a farm. In 1882 he located in Middlesex township, Butler county, where he purchased the Craig farm of fifty-four acres, and has since resided upon it. Mr. Burton was married June 3, 1852, to Rebecca, a daughter of John Algeo, of Mt. Pleasant township, Washington county, and has seven children: Benjamin P.; John L.; Jennie A.; Grace; McNary; David C., and Harry R. Mr. Burton and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Benjamin P. Burton, eldest in the family of John W. and Rebecca Burton, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, August 18, 1854, and has always followed farming as a vocation. He came to Butler county with his father in 1882, and purchased a part of the Boyle farm, in Middlesex township, where he now lives. He married Sarah Grabe, a daughter of Andrew Grabe, of Clinton township, and has four children: John A.; Frank G.; Vernie, and Verbie. Politically, he is a Democrat, but takes no active part in public affairs.

Matthew Moore was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in November, 1808, and was a son of Matthew Moore, a native of the same county, who immigrated to Canada in 1809, and settled in Haldeman county, where he died in 1853. Matthew Moore, Sr., was the father of five children: Matthew; Dennis; John; Margaret, who married Wellington Wilson, and Ann. The mother died in 1841. Both were members of the Catholic church, in which faith they lived and died. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, and in 1838 he married Mary A. Vosburg, a daughter of Martin Vosburg, of Connecticut. Fifteen children were born to this union, eleven of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Cynthia, wife of Thomas Robbins; Sophrona, who married Thomas Crayston; Martin V.; Thomas; Bradford; Elizabeth; Henrietta, who married Harry Bross; Byron; George; Margaret M., and Ada M.

Martin V. Moore was born in Haldeman county, Canada, October 6, 1843, received a common school education, and was reared upon the homestead farm. In 1864 he came to the United States, and located at Petroleum Centre, Venango county, Pennsylvania, where he embarked in the oil business. Since that time he has followed oil producing, with the exception of four years when engaged in the hotel business in Cattaraugus county, New York, and is now located in the Gold district, Butler county. Mr. Moore has been twice married; first to Sarah Flannigan, a daughter of F. C. Flannigan, of Westmoreland county, January 22, 1871. Two children were the fruits of this union: Abby, wife of Alexander Williams, and Frank, who died at two years of age. Mrs. Moore died in 1876, and he was again married November 17, 1879, to Elizabeth Fitzgerald, a daughter of Thomas Fitzgerald, of Union City, Pennsylvania. Four children were born of this marriage, as follows: Flora; Fidelia; Kent, and Martin. Mr. Moore is an adherent of the Republican party, and in religious faith, he is a Protestant.

WILLIAM J. DAVIS was born in Wales, in June, 1824, and there learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades. About 1847 he married Miss Susannah Voyle, a native of the same country, and in 1851 they immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where they remained two years. They then removed to Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, where Mr. Davis followed his trade, and thence to Queenstown, and continued to reside at that place until 1883. In that year the family removed to East Brady, Clarion county, where Mrs. Davis died, August 3, 1891. Mr. Davis, while in Queenstown, embarked in the oil business, but has now retired from active life, and is spending his declining years in East Brady. Sixteen children were born to William J. and Susannah Davis, as follows: Reese; William; Anna, deceased wife of John Meldrum; Mary, deceased; Philip; Morgan; James; Jeffrey; John; David; Russell; Mackworth; Mary; Charles; Annie, and one that died in early youth.

WILLIAM DAVIS, JR., son of William J. Davis, was born in Wales, August 2, 1849, and came with his parents to the United States in 1851. Before reaching manhood, he learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades with his father, and continued to work at that business until 1874. He then engaged in oil producing at Queenstown, Pennsylvania, and has followed it ever since, as have also his nine brothers. He was married November 15, 1877, to Margaret A. Williams, a daughter of James Williams, of Brady's Bend. They are the parents of five children: Harry W.; Arthur G.; Florence M.; Annie L., and Mary E. Mr. Davis and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has five producing wells in the Gold oil field, Middlesex township, and three wells in the Hickey field.

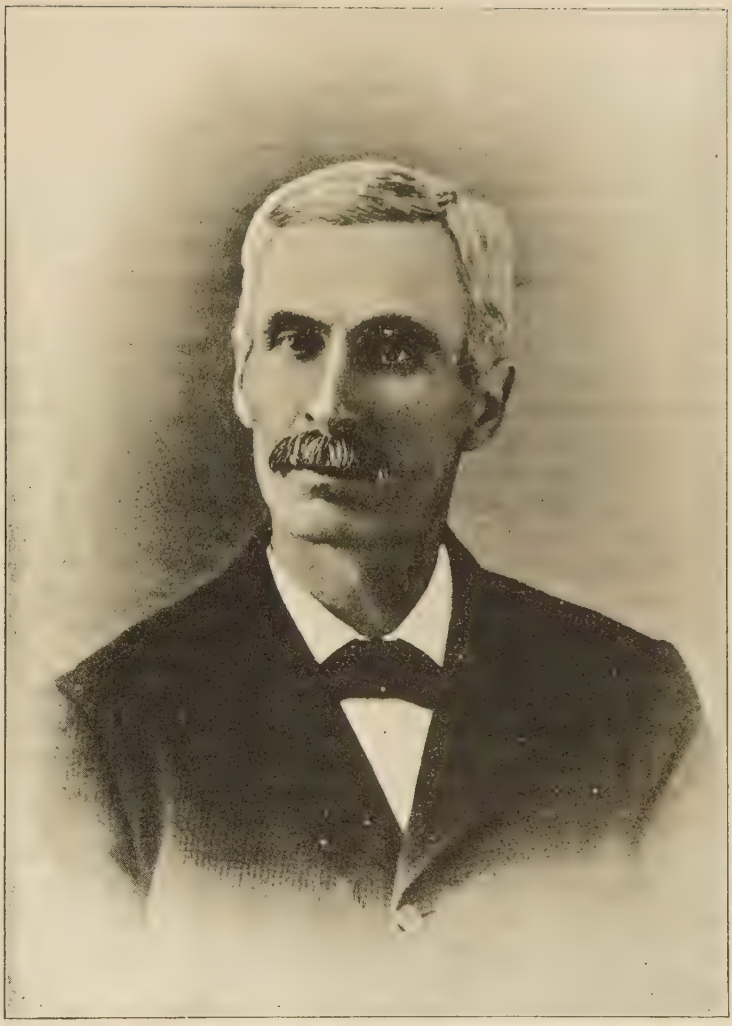
JEFFREY DAVIS, eighth in the family of William J. Davis, was born at Queenstown, Armstrong county, August 31, 1858, received a common school education, and has followed the oil business since boyhood. He is now in partnership with his brothers, and is one of the well known producers of Middlesex township. Mr. Davis was married July 12, 1889, to Sarah N. Moore, a daughter of Robert Moore, of Tarentum, Allegheny county. In politics, he is a Republican, but takes no active interest in political matters.

LEVI R. MCFANN, son of Jonathan McFann, was born in Waynesburg, Greene county, Pennsylvania, July 3, 1839. He obtained a common school education, and afterwards was engaged as a salesman in a general store at Waynesburg. In 1865 he went to Pittsburg, and traveled for the wholesale tobacco house of Steppe & Kennedy. In 1867 he located in business at Oil City, as a manufacturer and dealer in tobacco. In 1868 he started a branch at Pleasantville, Venango county, also one on the Renn farm and at Parker City. He finally quit the business, and went into oil operating at Gas City, whence he removed to Fairview, Butler county, in 1872. He afterwards operated at Greece City and Buena Vista, and has followed the oil developments in Butler county ever since. In the spring of 1893 he moved to the Thompson oil field, started a grocery store, and has since carried on that business. The same year McFann postoffice was established, named in honor of our subject, of which he has since been postmaster. Mr. McFann was married February 15, 1870, to Mary Morris, a daughter of George Morris, of Washington

township, to which union have been born nine children, as follows: Maggie M., wife of William D. Armour, of McDonald; George W.; Ida A.; Harry H.; Charles, deceased; Carrie V.; Mary S.; Levi R., and Helen B. Although independent in politics, Mr. McFann has always been quite active in political affairs, and has filled the office of justice of the peace, and other minor positions. He is a member of Tent, Number 96, K. O. T. M., of Renfrew, and also of the I. O. O. F. He served as second lieutenant of Company H, One Hundred and Twenty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and during his term of service was in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, and Fredericksburg.

Joseph Hays was born upon the old Hays homestead in Adams township, Butler county, about the year 1820, and received his education in a pioneer subscription school. He was reared to farm life, afterwards kept a store for several years, and then returned to agriculture, which he followed the balance of his life, dying January 1, 1891. He married Mary A. McCandless, a daughter of John McCandless, of Butler county, and was the father of five children, as follows: Evert R.; Elizabeth A., and John, both deceased; Joseph W., and Mary A., wife of James Cashdollar. Mrs. Hays died in 1866. Both were members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Whig, in early days, and afterwards a Republican.

Evert R. Hays, son of Joseph and Mary A. Hays, was born upon his father's farm in Adams township, Butler county, and has always been engaged in farm pursuits. In March, 1893, he purchased the Ramsey farm, in Middlesex township, consisting of fifty-eight acres, where he now resides. Mr. Hays has traveled extensively through Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, Michigan, Indiana, and West Virginia, and has also followed steamboating on the Ohio river. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religious belief, he is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church.



John Ferguson

CHAPTER LXXII.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Donegal Township and Millerstown Borough—Fairview Township and Karns City, Fairview and Petrolia Boroughs—Oakland and Concord Townships —Clay Township and West Sunbury Borough—Centre Township.

Charles Duffy, Sr., was born in County Donegal, Ireland, in 1754, and immigrated to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1793. He resided there until the spring of 1796, when he removed to what is now Butler county, with the advance guard of pioneers, and located upon the farm in Donegal township, known as the Duffy homestead, where he resided until his death, in July, 1823, aged sixty-nine years. In a notice of his death published in the *Repository*, August 1, 1823, the following tribute is paid to his memory: "The deceased was among the first settlers of this county; as a father he was tender, as a husband, industrious, careful and affectionate, and as a neighbor he was highly respected and esteemed." His wife, Ellen Duffy, survived him two years, dying in 1825, aged sixty-five. They were the parents of four sons and five daughters, as follows: Edward, who died in 1799, aged seventeen years, being one of the first persons buried in Butler county; John, who died in 1864, aged eighty years; Peter, who died in 1883, aged eighty-six years; Michael, who died in 1823, aged twenty-one; Barbara, who married Lieut. Neal Gillespie, an officer in the War of 1812, and died in 1875, aged eighty-seven years; Bridget, who married Patrick Duffy, and died in 1855, aged sixty-two; Ellen, who died unmarried, in 1855, aged fifty-nine; Mary, who died in infancy, and Margaret, who married Col. Manasses Gillespie, and died in 1871, aged sixty-seven years. Charles Duffy, Sr., was one of the founders of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and in politics, he was a Jeffersonian Democrat.

Philip Hartman, a native of Holland, settled near Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, prior to the Revolution. He enlisted in Colonel Ogle's regiment, of the Pennsylvania Line, and served throughout the struggle for independence. His brother Michael also served in the Continental army, and subsequently settled in Manor township, Armstrong county. Prior to 1796 Philip Hartman came to what is now Oakland township, Butler county, and took up 200 acres of land, upon which he lived for several years, dying in Armstrong county. His family consisted of the following children: James; William; Sarah, who married Richard Connell; Kate, who became the wife of James Cochran; Mary, who married Edward Boland; Margaret, who married John Bell, and Elizabeth. The family were adherents of the Catholic church.

William Hartman, second son of Philip Hartman, was born on his father's homestead, in Oakland township, Butler county, July 4, 1796, and is said to have

been the first white male child born in the township. He resided with his parents until his majority, then went to Pittsburg, learned the blacksmith's trade and worked there some four years. He married Mary Winters, and settled in Armstrong county, but in 1849 they removed to Donegal township, Butler county, where he continued to work at his trade in connection with farming until his death, February 14, 1879. His wife died September 10, 1864. Their union was blessed with the following children: Catherine, who married John Holobaugh; Mary Ann, who became the wife of William Holobaugh; Joseph; James; Margaret A., wife of Silas Dunn; Sarah Frances, who died at the age of eighteen years; Edward F.; William Lawrence, and John Ambrose, the last two of whom died in childhood. The parents were members of the Catholic church, in which faith they reared their children.

Archibald Black, Sr., the progenitor of the Black family of this township, was a native of Donegal county, Ireland, and inherited those fundamental principles of industry, economy and determination of purpose so characteristic of the Irish race. Becoming impressed with the bright prospects of the New World, he left the associations of kindred and home, and immigrated to Pennsylvania, where he found employment in the iron mills at Carlisle. There he married Alice Haggerty, also a native of Donegal county, Ireland, who like himself, had come to seek her fortune in the New World. In 1798 Mr. Black came to Donegal township, Butler county, and located on a tract of land in the southern part of the township, and in 1809 took out a patent, in conjunction with Archibald McCall, on 400 acres. The young couple located upon their new purchase, and, with hopes bright for the future, set about clearing and improving the place, hewing out from the wilderness which surrounded their humble log cabin, a home for themselves and their children. They were among the first settlers, and bravely endured the privations and overcame the obstacles of frontier life. The pioneers had ample opportunity to indulge their love for hunting, as wild game was plentiful, and roamed at will through the forests. While the husband and father was busy in the clearing, the housewife, when not assisting him by piling the brush, would be working at her loom, weaving the flax and wool into blankets and clothing for the family. Money was a very scarce article in those days, the system of exchange being the basis of nearly every transaction. The products of the farm would be taken to market, many miles distant, on a pack-saddle, and exchanged for salt, sugar and other necessaries of life. Archibald Black was a man for the times, one of those ready, earnest souls that a new and wild country always develops, that are equal to any emergency, prepared to face any danger and confront any hardships that may arise. He was a representative citizen of the period, taking an active interest in any public enterprise for the improvement of his county, and the family have been highly instrumental in the development of Donegal township. Mr. Black and wife were practical members of the St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and reared their family in the faith of their fathers. He was a stanch Democrat, and took an active and leading part in the public affairs of his day. Both he and wife spent the remainder of their lives upon the homestead in Donegal township, and now lie side by side in the cemetery at Sugar Creek. They reared the following chil-

dren: James; Daniel; John; Mary; Ellen; Peggy; Patrick; Nancy; Catherine; Alice, and Archibald. Of this family but two survive, viz.: Catherine, wife of John Shields, of Armstrong county, and Archibald, a resident of Donegal township.

Archibald Black, Jr., youngest son of Archibald and Alice Black, was born upon the old homestead in Donegal township, Butler county, in October, 1820, and is the youngest in a family of eleven children. He spent his boyhood days upon the farm, assisting his parents in clearing and improving it, wearing the home-made clothing, and enjoying the limited advantages of the period. For a few weeks during the winter season he attended the subscription school of the neighborhood, held in a little log building, with the rudest furnishings and accommodations. But this school house was a fair sample of the majority of the buildings throughout Butler county during pioneer days. On April 19, 1842, Mr. Black married Catherine McBride, a daughter of Connell and Queen McBride, early settlers of Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, where Mrs. Black was born in October, 1818. The young couple settled on the old homestead, and two years later rented the farm where they now reside, which they afterwards purchased, to which they have added until the farm now contains 300 acres, all in Donegal township. Upon this farm are located forty-one oil wells, and the small log cabin in which Mr. Black and wife first lived has been replaced by a more commodious structure of brick. They are the parents of the following children: Owen F., born May 26, 1844; James, August 13, 1846, died January 5, 1888; John, January 26, 1850; Daniel, February 23, 1853, and Mary A., January 2, 1857. Mr. Black and family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek. Politically, he is a Democrat, and formerly took an active part in politics. He has held the offices of assessor, collector and constable, and has always manifested a deep interest in the success of the measures and principles of his party. The family are among the most prominent in the township, and are recognized as progressive, enterprising people.

Owen F. Black, eldest in the family of Archibald and Catherine Black, was born upon the homestead farm in Donegal township, Butler county, May 26, 1844, grew to maturity under the parental roof, and received his education in the district school. On June 16, 1868, he married Mary J. Minor, of Armstrong county, and settled upon a farm in Donegal township. Mrs. Black died June 20, 1872, the mother of two children, viz.: Archie, and Stephen, both of whom died in infancy. Mr. Black was again married, October 14, 1875, to Theresa Burns, of Donegal township, to which union have been born three children, as follows: Bessie; Vincent, and Catherine. The family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek. Politically, Mr. Black is a Democrat, and is one of the leading farmers of his township.

John Black, third son of Archibald and Alice Black, was born September 10, 1802, upon the homestead farm in Donegal township, Butler county, and was reared amidst pioneer surroundings. He married Elizabeth McElroy, of Donegal township, and reared eight children, as follows: Alice, wife of Charles Webber; Margaret, deceased wife of Joseph Hartman; Patrick; Mary J.; James; Archibald; John F., and Matilda, wife of John McLaughlin. Mr. Black was a prom-

inent citizen of South Buffalo township, Armstrong county, where he settled after his marriage, and spent the remainder of his life upon his farm in that county. He was a member of the Catholic church, and a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Archibald Black, son of John and Elizabeth Black, was born in Armstrong county, May 16, 1841, spent his boyhood days upon the farm with his parents, and attended the public school of his native township. He married Miss Catherine Maley, of Armstrong county, and subsequently located in Donegal township, Butler county. They are the parents of six children, as follows: James; William; Stephen; John; Charles E., and Francis, deceased. The family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and in politics, Mr. Black is an ardent Democrat. He is one of the leading farmers and oil producers of his section of the county.

James Black, son of John and Elizabeth Black, was born May 16, 1841, upon the old homestead in Armstrong county, grew to maturity beneath the parental roof, and was educated at the district school. In 1879 he located upon his present farm, a part of the homestead, and has greatly improved it by the erection of substantial buildings. He is one of the leading farmers of his township, and devotes considerable attention to the breeding of fine stock. He is also an oil producer, and is quite a prosperous business man. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek.

John F. Black, son of John and Elizabeth Black, was born in South Buffalo township, Armstrong county, September 16, 1843, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. He was educated in the district school of that period, and remained with his parents until November 25, 1879, when he married Mary Graham, a daughter of John and Sarah Graham, of Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, and located on a part of the old homestead. In 1891 he purchased his present fram of 100 acres, which contains one of the finest residences in the township, finished in modern style and architecture. Mrs. Black was born January 13, 1860, and is the mother of seven children, as follows: Jerome, born April 12, 1880; Henry, March 29, 1882; Albertus, September 3, 1883; Joseph, October 27, 1885; Leo, October 7, 1890; John, July 16, 1892, died the following month, and Walter, June 11, 1893. The family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek. Politically, Mr. Black is a stanch Democrat, and is quite active in the interests of his party. Besides cultivating his farm, he is also interested in oil producing, and is one of the substantial citizens of Donegal township.

John Slator, the progenitor of the Slator family in Butler county, was a native of Alsace (then belonging to France), Germany. At the age of eighteen he enlisted in Rochambeau's army, and came to America to participate in the Revolutionary war. He served in that memorable struggle under Lafayette, for four years, as a cavalry man, his term of service closing with the end of the war. He was present at the framing of the Constitution of the United States, and was one of the few men who witnessed the signing of that famous document. After the close of the war he concluded to remain in America, and some years

later came to Butler county and took up a claim of 200 acres, where the station of St. Joe now stands, and now known as the Martin farm. He erected a little log cabin on his claim, and with wild animals and Indians as his nearest and most numerous neighbors, began the work of clearing and improving his place. Mr. Slator removed to Clarion county some years later, where he resided a few years, then returned to Butler county, and made his home with his son Henry, near St. Joe, until his death. He was a pioneer member of the Catholic church in Butler county, and is buried in the old Catholic cemetery at Butler. His wife, Catherine, died in Clarion county. Their children were as follows: John; Jacob; Henry; Christopher, and a daughter who died in childhood.

Henry Slator, Sr., third child of John and Catherine Slator, was born in Donegal township, (now Oakland), Butler county, and there grew to maturity. He married Susan Ann Dunbar, a daughter of Samuel Dunbar, a native of Ireland, who came to Butler county in the last decade of the Eighteenth century. The following children were born to this union: Mary, who married Thomas Dodson, and died in Clarion county; Samuel, of Donegal township; John, deceased; Peter, of Millerstown; Elizabeth, deceased wife of John Sagaser; Susan, wife of Cornelius Hall, of Clarion county; Agnes, wife of James Sherkey, a resident of New York; Magdalena, wife of Jacob Goodyear, of Pittsburg; Margaret, wife of John McCready, of Clearfield township, and Ellen, who died at the age of twelve years. Mrs. Slator died in Donegal township, where the family had settled soon after marriage, and her husband married Eva Keistler. He was a veteran of the War of 1812, in which he served as a corporal in Captain Brinker's company. He died in Clearfield township.

Samuel Slator, eldest living child of Henry and Susan Slator, was born upon the homestead farm, July 16, 1817, and was reared during pioneer times and privations. In 1836 he married Margaret Ransil, a native of Westmoreland county, born October 11, 1819, and a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Topper) Ransil, both natives of Westmoreland county, and a granddaughter of Valentine Ransil, a Revolutionary soldier. When three years of age she came with her parents to Butler county. and both died here, her father at the age of eighty-four, and her mother aged eighty-two. After their marriage Mr. Slator and wife settled on a tract of land in Donegal township, a part of the Ransil homestead, and have since resided in this township. Six children are the fruits of their marriage, viz.: Henry, who died in infancy; Elizabeth, wife of Sebastian Wilson, of Venango county; Susan, wife of James Delaney, of Armstrong county; John W., of Donegal township; Mary Ann, and Margaret J., who died at the age of twelve years. Mr. Slator and wife are one of the oldest couples in the township, and both are in the enjoyment of good health. They are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and politically, he is a stanch Democrat.

John W. Slator, only living son of Samuel and Margaret Slator, was born in Donegal township, Butler county, October 25, 1846. He grew to maturity upon the homestead farm, and attended the district school of the neighborhood. On June 4, 1867, he married Sarah F. Wilson, of Donegal township, settled in that township and has since devoted his attention to agriculture. They are the parents of the following children: Samuel M.; Sebastian D.; Emma Isabel; Stephen A.;

William J.; Stella M., and Joseph F. The family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and politically, Mr. Slator is ardent Democrat.

Henry Slator, son of Jacob Slator, and grandson of John Slator, was born on the farm yet owned by his descendants, in Summit township, Butler county, in 1816. His father was a native of Clearfield township, and his grandfather was one of the early settlers of the county. Henry was reared on a farm, and after attaining his majority he settled in Oakland township, where he died in 1849, aged thirty-three years. He married Mary O'Donnell, a daughter of Connell O'Donnell, an early settler. They had a family of two sons and one daughter, viz.: James, who died at the age of eighteen; Jacob, and Catherine, who married Jacob Graham, and died in 1867. Henry Slator's widow married a Mr. Callen, and is now living with her son. Mr. Slator was a member of the Catholic church, to which denomination his widow belongs.

Jacob Slator, son of Henry and Mary Slator, was born on his present homestead in Oakland township, and was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He has always followed farming, and inherited the old homestead settled by his father. He married Kate Langraff, a daughter of Conrad Langraff. She was born in Germany, but came to Butler county with her parents in childhood. Four children have been born to this union, viz.; Augusta; Jennie; Charles, and Fronie. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland. Mr. Slator is a Democrat, and has filled several of the minor offices in his township.

Connell O'Donnell was one of the first settlers of what is now Clearfield township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he located in 1798. He was a native of Donegal county, Ireland, was there married, and subsequently immigrated with his family to the United States. He erected his cabin in the midst of the primitive forest, his neighbors being principally natives of Ireland. The township in which he lived, upon the organization of Butler county, was named Donegal, because of the large number of its inhabitants who came from that county in their native land. Connell became quite a famous hunter, and supported his family from the fruits of the chase, together with what little he could raise on a small patch of ground which the family cleared the first few years of their settlement. The father died in 1813, leaving to his wife, Mary, the care of a family of eight children. She, however, was equal to the occasion, and with the assistance of her children, cleared and improved the farm, and resided thereon until her death. They were pioneer members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek.

Dennis O'Donnell, a younger brother of Connell O'Donnell, was born in Ireland, and came with his brother's family to Butler county. He married Margaret McAvea, a native of Westmoreland county, and settled in a small log cabin on a tract of land in Donegal township, where they resided until the death of Mrs. O'Donnell, about 1821. She left a family of seven children, viz.: Edward, who resides in Venango county; James; Patrick; Connell; John; Michael, and Peter, all of whom are dead excepting Edward and John. For his second wife, Mr. O'Donnell married Nancy McGinley, of Armstrong county, to which union were born seven children, viz.: Charles; Dennis; Ellen;

Bridget A.; Frank; Catherine, and one that died in infancy. Frank, of Oakland township, is the only survivor of this family. Mr. O'Donnell died February 22, 1852, in his seventy-eighth year, and was interred in the Catholic cemetery at Butler, to which church the family belong. He was a veteran of the War of 1812, and a stanch adherent of the Democratic party. His widow died at the age of eighty-four years.

John O'Donnell, son of Dennis and Margaret (McAvea) O'Donnell, was born in Donegal township, Butler county, April 28, 1816, and spent his boyhood days upon the farm, surrounded by the limited advantages which that period afforded. He likes to recall now many incidents of early times, and relates many amusing tales of that period. He wore the coarse homespun clothing, and attended the subscription schools, with rude furnishings, and endured the many privations connected with pioneer life. At the age of sixteen he left home and secured employment upon the canal, then in course of construction, at Franklin, Venango county. At the age of twenty years he went to Allegheny county, where he worked at farming and contracting. In 1840 he purchased and located on a farm in Clearfield township. It was unimproved, and he erected a small log cabin, cutting the timber near its site, and completing it in three and a half days. In 1839 he married Ellen Duffy, a daughter of Edward Duffy, who died in 1842, leaving one daughter, Margaret. She afterwards became the wife of James McLaughlin, and has since died. In 1844 he married Catherine Slator, a daughter of Jacob Slator, to which union was born one son, Michael, who died in childhood. Mr. O'Donnell resided upon his original purchase until 1857, when he settled upon his present farm, a portion of the original O'Donnell lands, which he purchased after the death of his father. Here he has since made his home, and is one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Donegal township. His wife died in August, 1885. She was a life-long member of the Catholic church, to which Mr. O'Donnell also belongs, and he has always been a liberal contributor towards its support. In politics, he has been a Democrat since casting his first vote, and has served as supervisor and overseer of the poor.

Gabriel Pontius came to Butler county when a young man, and located in Donegal township about 1803. He was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1786, and after coming to Butler county, he married Mary Barnhart, of Donegal township, subsequently purchased a tract of 200 acres, erected a log cabin and began the work of making a home. The country was then comparatively a wilderness, and some time after settling in Donegal township, Mr. Pontius established a small pottery, which business he followed for nearly thirty years, making many of the dishes and much of the pottery used by the pioneers of that locality. His patrons sometimes paid for their ware by working on his farm, while he was engaged in the pottery. He died upon the homestead in 1872, and his wife in 1875, aged eighty-eight years. They were the parents of eight children, as follows: Elizabeth, deceased wife of George Ellenberger, of Armstrong county; John, deceased, who resided in Donegal township; William, a resident of Armstrong county; Polly, deceased, who married John F. Wiles; Solomon, who lives upon the old homestead; Catherine, deceased, who married

Abraham Barnhart; Hannah, deceased wife of Henry Wiles, and Phoebe, wife of Charles Schwartzlander, a resident of Fairview township. Mr. Pontius was a prominent Democrat, and held various township offices, such as assessor, supervisor, collector and school director. He took an active interest in educational matters and labored zealously to secure the introduction of the public schools in his township.

Solomon Pontius, fifth child of Gabriel and Mary (Barnhart) Pontius, was born in Donegal township, Butler county, December 13, 1819. He spent his boyhood days upon the farm, assisting his father in clearing the land, and working in the pottery. Dressed in the home-made clothing of the period, he would often pull the flax and break and scutch the same, and then assist his mother in spinning and weaving it into clothing and blankets upon the home loom. The usual mode of going to mill was on horseback, with a pack saddle, across which he would place the sack of grain. He attended for a few weeks during the winter season the early subscription schools, when the little log school house with puncheon floors, and benches split from logs, was the best the times afforded. Mr. Pontius remained with his parents until twenty-three years of age, when he took charge of the homestead farm, his parents making their home with him until their death. In 1842 he married Mary King, a native of Armstrong county. She died in 1843, leaving no children. On April 27, 1845, he married Margaret Myers, a native of Westmoreland county, born August 22, 1822. Her parents, Frederick and Susannah Myers, came from Westmoreland county to Sugar Creek in 1826, and resided here the remainder of their lives. She, too, was reared amidst pioneer surroundings, and experienced the usual trials and hardships of that period. Five children are the fruits of this union, viz.: John W., born August 14, 1846, now pastor of the German Reformed church, at Martinsburg, Blair county; Susannah, born June 4, 1848, died in December, 1861; Caroline, born August 23, 1851, died July 29, 1882; Mary Catherine, born May 19, 1856, wife of Dr. C. F. Daubenspeck, of Crawford county, and Solomon Isaiah, born October 7, 1861, married Sarah Catherine Sommerville, of Armstrong county, and has five children. He resides with his parents upon the old homestead. Mr. Pontius and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Millerstown, in which he has filled several official positions, and for twenty years was superintendent of the Sabbath school. He was formerly a member of the German Reformed church, and was an elder in that society for a long period. Politically, a Democrat, he has been active in local politics the greater part of his life. For nearly forty years he has served as justice of the peace, and is still holding that office. He has also filled the offices of supervisor, assessor, and school director, the last mentioned for eighteen years, seventeen of which he was secretary of the board. 'Squire Pontius owns the old homesterd of 200 acres, also another farm in the same township of sixty-two acres, besides 111 acres in Trumbull county, Ohio. He is one of the successful farmers of the county, and is an extensive oil producer. Few men in the community have won and retained to a greater degree the esteem and confidence of the people, and throughout his long residence in Donegal township, he has been recognized as a public-spirited and progressive citizen.

JOHN PONTIUS, eldest son of Gabriel and Mary (Barnhart) Pontius, was born in Donegal township, Butler county, December 25, 1812. He was reared upon the old homestead, and married Mary M. Wiles, a daughter of Frederick Wiles, who came from eastern Pennsylvania at an early day and settled in Donegal township, Butler county, afterwards serving as a soldier in the war of 1812. Mr. Pontius settled in Armstrong county after his marriage, resided there eight years, and then returned to Donegal township, where he died January 22, 1892. His widow still survives him. She was born July 14, 1820, and reared a family of eleven children, nine of whom are still living, as follows: Gabriel, of Donegal township; Susan, wife of John Kaylor, of Fairview township; Caroline, wife of J. J. Crawford, of Millerstown; Phoebe, wife of William Kepple, of Armstrong county; William, a resident of Donegal township; Mary, wife of Robert Taylor, of Clearfield county; Samuel W., who resides in Pittsburg; John Henry, and George W., both residents af Donegal township.

JOHN HENRY PONTIUS, son of John and Mary M. Pontius, was born in Donegal township Butler county, February 5, 1859, was reared upon the farm and received his education in the public schools. On September 1, 1881, he married Ada Burford, a daughter of Reuben Burford, of Armstrong county. They resided in Beaver Falls for some time, where Mr. Pontius worked in an iron mill, and later located on their present homestead in Donegal township. He owns a well improved farm of 100 acres, with oil and gas production. They are the parents of two children: Sidney Easton, and Myrell Reid. Mr. Pontius is an active Republican, and, though living in a township strongly Democratic, has been elected to various offices, all of which he filled in a highly creditable manner. Mr. Pontius and wife are members of Mt. Pleasant English Lutheran church, and liberal contributors towards that organization. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P., also of the K. O. T. M.

CASPER RITZERT was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, in 1795, grew to maturity in his native land, and there marrried Margaret Reisler. In 1832 he came to the United States, accompanied by his wife and four children: Harmon, Conrad, Katharine and John. They landed in Baltimore, after a voyage of forty-two days, and, after a short stay in that city, went to Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, whence they came to Butler county, the journey being made overland in wagons, camping at night in the forest along the road. Mr. Ritzert purchased a tract of wild land in what is now Oakland township, erected a log cabin and set about clearing off the primitive forest. He resided in Oakland township until his death, in 1860. His wife survived him twenty-four years, dying October 23, 1884, in the eighty-first year of her age. They were the parents of seven sons and five daughters, and the whole family were members of St. Peter's Catholic church, at Butler.

CONRAD RITZERT, the second son of Casper and Margaret Ritzert, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, June 24, 1825, and was seven years old when his parents immigrated to Pennsylvania. He was reared amidst the privations and dangers of pioneer days, and his first home in Butler county was a small log cabin, built of round logs, and even while he was still a boy he assisted his father in clearing the farm, by piling and burning the brush. His clothes

were made of the home-made cloth, and his education was acquired in the subscription school of the neighborhood, held in a small log building, with puncheon floor and benches, and a huge fireplace in one end. The plowing was done with oxen, the grain sown by hand, reaped with a sickle, and threshed with a flail. At the age of fourteen, Conrad went to work in a tannery, grinding bark, and when he reached his eighteenth year he commenced learning the tanner's trade, with Conrad Roessing, at Butler, with whom he served an apprenticeship, and afterwards worked for Mr. Roessing for five years. He subsequently went to Brady's Bend, and worked in the iron mills there in various capacities, saving enough from his wages to start himself in the tannery business at Worthington. He sold out the tannery and in 1854 settled on his present farm in Donegal township, Butler county, which he had purchased some time previously while he was following his trade in Kittanning. Mr. Ritzert was married July 15, 1847, to Elizabeth Windishee a native of Austria, born June 8, 1828. She came to the United States with her sister, when eighteen years of age, and was married the following year. When Mr. Ritzert and wife settled on their farm in Donegal township, the place was comparatively unimproved, their first dwelling being a small log cabin. The times were hard, and they enjoyed but few advantages. Mrs. Ritzert spun the wool and flax used in weaving clothing and blankets for the use of her family, and with the aid of her children conducted the farm while her husband would be away working at his trade. By such industry and rigid economy they accumulated through the passing years a comfortable competence, and now own over 400 acres of fine land containing good oil production, with substantial buildings, and other necessary improvements. They are the parents of six children, viz.: Harmon, and John, both residents of Donegal township; Mary E., wife of Joseph Graham; Joseph G., of Oakland township; Adam, who resides with his parents, and Maggie, wife of Jacob Cramer. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, at North Oakland, and politically, Mr. Ritzert is an ardent Democrat. Mr. Ritzert is one of the leading farmers of the county, and the family are respected and esteemed by the community. When he commenced farming in Donegal township, his capital was small, but he possessed plenty of energy, a robust constitution, and a rugged determination to succeed. Both he and wife endured many of the privations of pioneer days, but they have lived to see their family grown up, and are now surrounded by the comforts and enjoyments of life.

John Ritzert, son of Conrad and Elizabeth Ritzert, was born in Kittanning, Pennsylvania, July 11, 1850. He was only four years old when his parents settled in Donegal township, where he grew to manhood, assisting his father in the farm duties. He received a common school education, and at the age of twenty years became an apprentice with Mr. Kemper, at the harness maker's trade, and served three years. He afterwards followed his trade at Millerstown as a journeyman, and continued at the same business until 1879, when he located on his present homestead in Donegal township, and has since been engaged in general farming. In 1878 he married Catherine Cramer, a daughter of Jacob Cramer, to which union have been born the following children: Annie; Albert; Daniel; Barbara; Catherine; Norbert, and Edward. The family are members

of St. Joseph's Catholic church, at North Oakland. Mr. Ritzert is a stanch Democrat, and in 1887 he was elected constable, assessor and collector, and still holds the two last mentioned offices.

JOSEPH G. RITZERT, third son of Conrad and Elizabeth Ritzert, was born upon the homestead farm in Donegal township, June 10, 1856. He there grew to manhood, and attended the common schools of his district during the winter seasons. He remained with his parents until his marriage to Philomena Cramer, February 13, 1877. She is a daughter of Jacob and Barbara Cramer, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and came in infancy to Clearfield township with her parents, where her father still resides. Soon after his marriage, Mr. Ritzert settled on his present homestead in Oakland township, which is a well improved farm of 209 acres. He is the father of seven children, named as follows: Mary Margaret; Barbara Elizabeth; Emma C.; Louis Joseph; Clara Philomena; William L., deceased, and Esther Ann. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland, and in politics, Mr. Ritzert is a Democrat. He is one of the substantial, enterprising and progressive farmers of the community.

JOHN VENSEL'S biography finds a fitting place among the records of Donegal township, Butler county, for he was one of the most honored and progressive citizens of the community throughout his residence therein. He was endowed by nature with a powerful frame, a strong intellect, undaunted courage, and a spirit of enterprise that fitted him to encounter the perils and hardships of pioneer days. John was the fifth child in a family of twelve children, born to Barney and Hannah Vensel, of Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, where he was born October 26, 1823. The family were early settlers of that locality, and our subject was schooled in the privations of the times. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm in assisting his parents with the home duties, wearing his coarse, homespun clothing, the cloth for which he would oft times assist his mother to weave upon the little home loom. His educational advantages were limited to a few weeks attendance at a subscription school of his neighborhood, when the log school house, with its rude furnishings of puncheon flooring, slab benches, and huge fireplace, was the only academy the times afforded. Among the incidents of his early days is the fact that he assisted his father in hauling the timber used in the construction of the first iron mill at Brady's Bend. These early struggles of the pioneers made a lasting impression upon their after lives. It was the schooling of nature, the fire that separated the gold from the dross, and it may truly be said, that in the privations endured in his youth by John Vensel, and in the obstacles he fearlessly met and surmounted, was laid the foundations for the resolute determination, the tireless energy, and the rugged integrity, which marked his after life. On January 17, 1847, he was united in marriage with Catherine Daubenspeck, a daughter of John and Mary (Kissenger) Daubenspeck, born October 24, 1824. To this union were born the following children: Alfred; Richard; Mary J., wife of J. J. Porterfield; Charles Finley; Washington H.; Sarah A., wife of A. H. Christy; William M.; Isaiah, deceased, and George. Mr. Vensel resided in Armstrong county until 1853, in which year he purchased a farm in Fairview township, Butler county, and resided thereon down to 1868,

when he bought and located on a farm in Donegal township, which he at once commenced to improve. His efforts were crowned with success, and the little log cabin in which they first resided was replaced by a more commodious and handsome residence. Here he was spending the sunset of his days, surrounded by comfort and enjoyment when death entered the happy home, and on August 3, 1893, Mr. Vensel was called to a higher and better home. He had long been a faithful member of St. Paul's Reformed church, at Oak Grove, and his life was a good example of christian manhood. He possessed a generous, genial disposition, and won friends wherever he went. As a citizen he was public-spirited, and a champion of every public improvement for the benefit of his county and community. Although denied the advantages of a thorough education, he was a careful reader and a man of sound judgment, and in public affairs his counsel was invited and accepted upon important occasions. He was a man of pronounced opinions, and possessed the courage of his convictions, although towards those differing from him he was considerate, treating them with deference and respect. Politically, he was a stanch Democrat, and served in various positions of trust and honor in his township, all of which he filled to the satisfaction of the community. In his home he was a model father, and as a neighbor, kind and obliging. He left his children the bright legacy of an untarnished name, and died regretted and esteemed by all who knew him.

Richard Vensel is one of the well known producers in the Millerstown field. He is a son of John and Catherine Vensel, and was born in Fairview township, Butler county, December 16, 1849. He grew to maturity upon the homestead farm, and received a common school education. About 1877 he began as a contractor in the oil region, and has put down and operated many wells in the Millerstown field. He has applied himself diligently to his business, and by energy and shrewd business tact he has acquired a handsome competence. Mr. Vensel was married June 16, 1873, to Miss Martha P. Christy. She was born November 24, 1852, and died May 16, 1877, leaving one child, Edward C. He was again married, May 3, 1879, to Miss Eva A. Duff, a native of Winfield township, Butler county, born May 30, 1858. She died November 16, 1884, leaving one son, Howard J. On December 29, 1887, Mr. Vensel married Miss Mollie Morrow, a daughter, of Robert Morrow of Donegal township. This union has been blessed by six children, three of whom survive, viz.: Ross Alfred; Lena, and Norman Augustus. He and wife are members of St. Paul's Reformed church, at Oak Grove. Politically, Mr. Vensel is an unswerving Republican, and takes an active interest in political affairs.

Charles Finley Vensel, son of John and Catherine Vensel, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1853, and came with his parents in early childhood to Fairview township, and later to Donegal township, Butler county, where he grew to maturity upon his father's farm. He afterwards engaged in the oil fields as a rig builder, and later as a driller, and followed this business a number of years. In 1889 he located upon his present farm, which he has greatly improved by the erection of a substantial house and other buildings. Mr. Vensel was for some time engaged in the livery business at Millerstown, and devotes considerable attention to stock raising. In 1875 he married Estella Rum-

baugh, of Armstrong county, who died in 1878, leaving one son, Charles Leslie. On June 7, 1880, he married Margaret C. Rumbaugh, to whom have been born six children, viz.: Clarence P., deceased; Malvina E.; Anita G.; Everett A.; Lucillia, and Ivy Irene. The family are connected with St. Paul's Reformed church. Politically, Mr. Vensel is a Democrat, and in 1891, was elected township auditor. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, K. of P., in which he is vice chancellor. He is one of the well known and popular citizens of Donegal township.

WASHINGTON H. VENSEL, son of John and Catherine Vensel, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, November 28, 1854, and settled with his parents upon the homestead in Donegal township, where he grew to manhood. In the spring of 1876 he went to Champaign county, Illinois, and engaged at farming, but soon returned to Pennsylvania, where he embarked in the oil industry with his brothers, to which he has since devoted his entire attention. In 1882 he married Ada G. Brooks, of McKean county, daughter of A. J. Brooks, a prominent oil producer of that county. They have one son, Harry Ralph. In 1892 Mr. Vensel removed from Bradford to Millerstown, where he has since resided. He is a member of the K. O. T. M., and one of the enterprising citizens of the borough.

WILLIAM M. VENSEL was born in Fairview township, Butler county, October 27, 1858, son of John and Catherine Vensel, and was ten years old when his parents located in Donegal township. He grew to maturity upon the homestead farm, received a good common school education, and at the age of twenty-one he embarked in the oil business in McKean county, and has since devoted his attention to contracting and producing, in which he has been quite successful. On December 29, 1887, Mr. Vensel married Minnia A. Barnhart, a daughter of A. W. Barnhart, of Butler township. They are the parents of three children, viz.: Charles F.; William Arthur, and Nora Florence. In politics, Mr. Vensel is a stanch Democrat. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P.; also of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M. He is recognized as one of the progressive, public-spirited and enterprising business men of the community.

BARNEY VENSEL was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, second child of John and Christina (Rice) Vensel, natives of eastern Pennsylvania, who came to Armstrong county at an early day, where they died at a ripe old age. They were the parents of five sons and three daughters, all of whom are dead. Barney grew to manhood in his native county, and married Hannah Harmon, a native of eastern Pennsylvania, who came to Armstrong county with her parents, Peter and Christina Harmon. The young couple settled upon a farm in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, where both resided until their death. Mr. Vensel died in 1848, aged fifty-nine years, and his wife, in 1867, aged eighty-four years. They were the parents of twelve children, viz.: Christina, deceased wife of Henry Hyle; Polly, wife of Peter Hyle; Catherine, deceased wife of Michael Myers; Eliza, who died in childhood; John, deceased; Peter, who resides on the old homestead; Susan, wife of Adam Myers; Joseph, a resident of Donegal township; Sarah, deceased wife of Jacob Troutman; Barney, of Armstrong

county; George, who lives upon the homestead farm, and Margaret, also a resident of the old home.

Joseph Vensel, eighth child of Barney and Hannah Vensel, was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, April 1, 1831, and was reared a farmer. He attended the pioneer subscription schools, in a small log building, with puncheon floor, split log seats, single desk, and a large fireplace in each end of the building. The United States spelling book, and old English reader were two of the books used during this period. At the age of twenty-two, Mr. Vensel went to Brady's Bend, and in 1853, married Lydia Myers, a daughter of Frederick and Susannah Myers. She was born in Westmoreland county, October 3, 1825, and was only one year old when her parents located in Armstrong county. Mr. Vensel rented a farm in Armstrong county, where he resided until 1858, and then settled upon his present homestead in Donegal township, Butler county, which was partially improved. They are the parents of seven children, viz.: Susannah, wife of Lewis Snyder: Jacob S., of Donegal township; Sarah E.; Margaret, wife of William David; George, who resides at home; Joseph I., of Millerstown, and John, who lives with his parents. The family are connected with St. Paul's Reformed church of Oak Grove. Mr. Vensel is a Democrat, and has filled the offices of supervisor and director.

James Rodgers, a native of Pittsburg, came to Armstrong county at an early day. He married Nancy McElroy, a native of Clearfield township, Butler county, and a daughter of Hugh McElroy, who came from Donegal county, Ireland, and entered 400 acres of land on the line of Butler and Armstrong counties, where he was one of the first settlers. Mr. Rodgers and wife resided successively in Armstrong county, Beaver county, and Harmony, Butler county, until 1840, when he leased a farm in Donegal township, and later purchased a tract of land upon which he resided down to his death, in 1849. His wife died at Harmony, in 1826, and he married for his second wife Bridget Boyle. He was the father of four children by his first marriage, as follows: George, of Donegal township; Margaret, deceased wife of Daniel Boyle; John, and Thomas.

John Rodgers was born in Armstrong county, September 25, 1824, son of James and Nancy (McElroy) Rodgers. At the age of fifteen he began working in an iron furnace, subsequently chopped cordwood upon a farm, and then went to Clarion county, where he worked in the ore mines. He came to Butler county with his father, whom he assisted in clearing and improving a home. When his father died the farm came into his possession. In 1852 he married Elizabeth Burns, a daughter of Bernard Burns, of Donegal township. Ten children have been born to this union, eight of whom are living, viz.: Bernard, of Ohio; John F., of Donegal township; Daniel, a resident of Pittsburg; Stephen, and Ann E., who reside with their parents; Rosalie, wife of James Rabitt, of Donegal township; Margaret, wife of M. McGarvey, of Noblestown, and Mary Belle, who lives at home. The family are connected with St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, of which Mr. Rodgers' parents were original members. Politically, he is a Democrat, and one of the enterprising farmers of the township. He is the owner of 230 acres of well improved land, upon which there are several producing wells.

JOHN MORROW was born near Kittanning, Armstrong county, son of Thomas and Susan Morrow, natives of Donegal county, Ireland. He was reared in his native township, and married Isabella Boyd, a native of Monaghan county, Ireland, who came with her parents to the United States when four years of age, her mother dying on ship-board en voyage. The young couple located on a farm in Armstrong county, where they lived about twenty years, and then removed to Jefferson county. After a short residence in the latter county, they came to Butler county, in 1846, and purchased a farm in what is now Concord township, which they began improving. They spent the remainder of their lives thereon, Mrs. Morrow dying August 8, 1882, aged ninety-four years, and her husband, in November, 1888, aged ninety years. They were the parents of seven children, as follows: James, of Concord township; Susan, wife of James Phillips; Elizabeth, wife of John Forsythe; John, a resident of Leavenworth, Kansas; Robert, of Donegal township; Eleanor Jane, and William, the two last mentioned being dead.

ROBERT MORROW, youngest living child of John and Isabella Morrow, was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, May 1, 1833, removed to Jefferson county with his parents, and subsequently to Butler county when thirteen years of age. He spent his boyhood days upon a farm in Concord township, their first home in this county being a small log cabin. He wore the home-made clothes of the period, and attended the pioneer school of his neighborhood. On June 3, 1856, he married Eliza Catherine Whitmire, a daughter of John and Catherine (Painter) Whitmire, natives of Butler and Westmoreland counties, respectively. She was born in Centre township, Butler county, February 26, 1838, and was the sixth in a family of eight children. Mr. and Mrs. Morrow resided upon the Morrow homestead until 1870, when they settled on their present farm in Donegal township, which they had purchased the previous year. It contains 146 acres, upon which are located eight producing oil wells. He has erected good buildings, and has otherwise improved the property. They are the parents of nine children, viz.: John M.; Sarah Betty, wife of Z. Double; Lorenzo; Julia A., wife of John Stoops; Mary C., wife of Richard Vensel; Norman; Alice Jane; George, and Laura May. The family are connected with the English Lutheran church, of Millerstown. Although formerly a Republican, Mr. Morrow is now a stanch Prohibitionist. While a resident of Concord township, he served as supervisor, judge of election, and school director. He is one of the prosperous and enterprising farmers of the community.

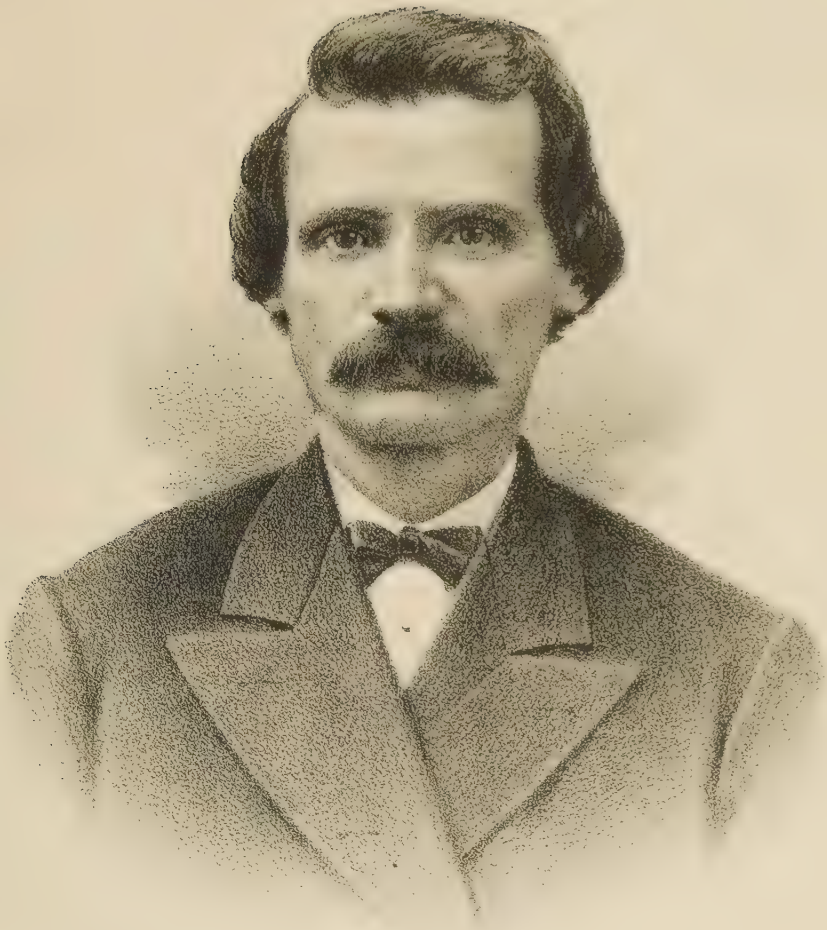
GEORGE HENRY DIVENER was born in Prussia, Germany, September 3, 1801. He learned the linen weaver's trade in his native land, and followed it there until his immigration to this county. He was married October 25, 1830, to Dorothy Mary Kaufhold, a native of the same country, born June 23, 1809. In the spring of 1847 Mr. Divener, with his family, consisting of his wife and five children, came to the United States, and settled in Butler county, Pennsylvania, near Saxonburg. He followed farming and weaving for about two years, then went to Brady's Bend, where he continued working at his trade, and also engaged in mining. In March, 1858, he moved to Donegal township, Butler

county, settled upon a farm he had purchased the year previous, and engaged in farming. He resided upon this place down to his death, which occurred June 7, 1868. His wife survived him until August 9, 1880. The names of their children are as follows: George H., deceased; John Frederick, a resident of East Brady; Charles, of Donegal township; William Edward, deceased, and Caroline E., wife of Lewis Hartenstein. The parents were members of the German Lutheran church, and died in that faith.

Charles Divener, son of George H. and Dorothy Mary Divener, was born in Prussia, September 21, 1839, and was eight years old when his parents came to Butler county. He enjoyed good educational advantages in the schools of his native land and afterwards in Butler and Armstrong counties. When quite young he worked in the mines at Brady's Bend, and assisted his parents to support the family. After his father settled in Donegal township, Charles devoted his attention to clearing and improving the farm, and after the death of the former he conducted the farm for his mother. He subsequently began farming for himself, and later purchased the old homestead, upon which he now resides. It contains 101 acres of land, with good oil production, upon which he has erected a commodious residence and other buildings. He is one of the active workers in the Democratic party, and has served two terms as overseer of the poor. Mr. Divener was married February 22, 1870, to Mary E. Frederick, a native of Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, who came to the United States with her parents, Leonard and Elizabeth Frederick. He and wife are members of the German Lutheran church, at Millerstown.

Zephaniah Double, a native of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, came to Butler county with his parents, John and Jane Double, in boyhood. They settled in what is now Brady township, and there the parents died. Zephaniah was reared in Brady township, there married Elizabath Snyder, and settled upon a farm. He subsequently removed to Warren county, lived there three years, and then returned to Bulter county, settling in Donegal township in 1864. Later he removed to Millerstown, where he died September 9, 1880. After his death Mrs. Double made her home with her son Joseph, and died October 1, 1887. Mr. Double was a Democrat, and filled the offices of assessor, collector, constable, and school director at various periods. He was the father of nine children, four of whom are living, as follows: Zephaniah, of Iowa; Prushey, and Joseph, both residents of Donegal township, and Mary Ann, wife of Thomas J. Carnahan, of Kansas.

Prushey Double was born in Brady township, Butler county, March 22, 1835, was reared upon his father's farm, and received a common school education. On January 14, 1858, he married Elizabeth Carnahan, a daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Carnahan. She was born in Westmoreland county, October 8, 1841, and is the mother of ten children, viz.: Zephaniah A., born August 20, 1859; Mary E., March 10, 1861; Sarah A., September 12, 1862; James L. January 4, 1865; Lucinda E., July 4, 1868; Prussia A., March 5, 1870; Harriet C., January 31, 1872; Thomas J., September 22, 1873; Annie C., February 9, 1876, died June 8, 1894, and Charles C., born February 1, 1878. After their marriage they located on a farm in Brady township, came to Donegal township in the fall of 1863,



James Brownfield Jr

and settled upon his present farm in the spring of 1875, which he has since improved by the erection of substantial buildings. He is a stanch Republican, and has held various township offices.

JOSEPH DOUBLE, son of Zephaniah and Elizabeth Double, early settlers of Brady township, Butler county, was born in that subdivision, August 31, 1840, and remained with his parents, following the usual avocations of a farmer's life, until the Rebellion. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, attached to the First Corps of the Army of the Potomac. He served in the battles of Sugar Loaf Mountain, South Mountain, Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville, and was honorably discharged June 5, 1862. Returning to his home in Butler county, he was married to Lucinda Hilgar, November 16, 1862. She is a native of Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and the mother of eleven children, as follows: Peter R.; John H.; Zephaniah H.; Elizabeth E.; Joseph E.; William E.; Lucinda A.; James L.; Thomas L.; Jacob O., and Edward E. The family are members of the English Lutheran church of Millerstown. Mr. Double is a stanch Republican, and has served as school director. In March, 1863, they located upon their present homestead farm in Donegal township, which contains 137 acres of well improved land. For the past eighteen years he has been a contractor in building oil rigs, and has done a large business.

WILLIAM BROWNFIELD was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, April 11, 1833, son of William B. and Mary (Quinn) Brownfield, early settlers of Armstrong county, where they resided until their death. His father died January 4, 1868, and his mother in 1873. They were members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, and are interred in the cemetery near that church. They were the parents of nine children, five of whom are still living. William remained at home until arriving at maturity, working with his father upon the farm during the summer, and attending school during the winter season. At the age of twenty-one he went to Wisconsin, and worked in the Black river pineries for nine years, a portion of which time he was rafting on the Mississippi. In 1864 he returned home, then went to Oil City and engaged in drilling oil wells. In 1872 he again returned to Armstrong county, and in 1875 purchased his present farm and settled upon it It contains 120 acres, upon which eight oil wells are located. Mr. Brownfield was married November 26, 1868, to Mrs. Ellen Jane Griffin, a daughter of Thomas and Catherine Haggerty. She was born in Venango county, December 21, 1841, married John Griffin, and bore him a family of four children, as follows: Francis A.; Mary L.; Sarah Elizabeth, a graduate of the Philadelphia Training School, and now a professional nurse at Pittsburg, and Emma E. Mr. Griffin died September 6, 1866. To Willlam and Ellen Jane Brownfield have been born seven children, viz.: William A., deceased; Martha E.; Margaret C.; Olive M.; James Harland; John Edgar, and Charles L., deceased. The family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek. In politics, Mr. Brownfield is a Democrat, and has served as a member of the school board for three terms.

JAMES BROWNFIELD was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1835, and was one of a family of nine children born to

William B. and Mary (Quinn) Brownfield. His boyhood days were passed upon his father's farm, and he dressed in the coarse homespun clothing of the period; while his education was acquired in a small log school house, withrude furnishings, which he attended only for a few weeks in each year during the winter season. He assisted his father in the farm duties until he reached his maturity, and remained with him until his marriage. On July 7, 1872, he married Hannah Crawford, and they took up their residence in East Brady, Clarion county. While making their home in that town, Mr. Brownfield followed oil drilling in various fields, drilled the first well at Oil City, and later engaged in contracting. Mrs. Brownfield is a native of Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, and a daughter of John and Sarah A. (Vasbinder) Crawford. Her father was a native of Ireland, and came with his parents to America when a young man, settled in Armstrong county, and there married Sarah Vasbinder. Both resided in Armstrong county until their death, leaving a family of four sons and two daughters. Mr. Crawford was a prominent citizen in his community, held various positions of trust, and both he and wife were respected members of the United Presbyterian church, at Middlesex. Mr. Brownfield and wife removed from East Brady to Armstrong county, and in 1872 purchased and settled upon the farm in Donegal township, Butler county, where his widow and family now reside. He devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits, was a leading and successful farmer of the township, and brought his farm to a high state of cultivation. In 1886 oil was discovered on this farm, and it now contains seventeen producing wells. Three children were born of his marriage to Hannah Crawford, as follows: Ida; Mary A., and James. Mr. Brownfield died at his home in Donegal township, November 10, 1889. He was a practical member of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, to which congregation his widow and children belong. He was universally esteemed for his sterling manhood and upright character. As a citizen, he was public-spirited and progressive, taking a deep interest in all matters that tended to benefit the community. He was especially active in furthering the schools of his township, and gave an unwavering support to educational and religious institutions. Politically, he was a Democrat, but was broad-minded and liberal in his views on all public matters. He left to his descendants an untarnished name, and died respected and esteemed by all who knew him.

Simon Monroe Wiles, a prosperous farmer and producer of Donegal township, was born near Petrolia, Butler county, July 7, 1857. His father was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, September 29, 1822, and married Elizabeth Daubenspeck, February 9, 1843. She was born in Parker township, Butler county, March 6, 1826. They were the parents of the following children: Mary E., wife of W. J. Myers, of Donegal township; Catherine Jane, deceased wife of Samuel Wagner; John Sylvester, of Centre township; Harriet Ann, wife of William Thompson, of Bradford, Pennsylvania; Fannie Agnes, wife of Dr. A. K. Carmichael, of Trinidad, Colorado; Simon Monroe, of Donegal township, and David Elmer, a physician of Pittsburg. Mr. Wiles died April 28, 1892, and his wife in March, 1880. The subject of this sketch spent his boyhood days upon his father's farm, and attended the common schools of his neighborhood. At the age of seventeen years he engaged as a pumper and tool dresser in the oil

fields, and by judiciously investing his earnings in some oil leases he became possessed of a production of his own, and has since continued in that business. Mr. Wiles was married August 16, 1877, to Jedidah Jenkins, a native of Armstrong county, born October 22, 1859. Her father, David Jenkins, was born in Wales, in 1826, and was married May 15, 1846, to Jane Davis, also a native of Wales, born in November, 1828. Mr. Jenkins died February 7, 1868, his wife surviving him until May 7, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Wiles are the parents of four children, as follows: Clarence Vernon, deceased; Myrtle Clare; Elsie Beulah, and Alta Beryl. In 1879 he purchased and located upon his farm in Donegal township, which is highly improved and contains a fine oil production. He has since erected a handsome residence, large and commodious barns, and devotes particular attention to raising fine pacing horses. He is one of the most successful farmers of his township. Politically, he is a Republican, is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P., also of Blaney Tent, K. O. T. M., of Millerstown.

Rudolph Barnhart, Sr., was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1775, son of John William Barnhart, a native of Germany, who came to Pennsylvania in 1764, and settled in Westmoreland county, where he died in January, 1822. Rudolph was reared in that county, and in the year 1795 he came to Butler county and purchased 400 acres of land in what is now Fairview township. The following spring he brough this family to his cabin, which he had erected in the primitive forest, and took up his permanent residence in this county. His wife's maiden name was Christina Rice, and she was a native of eastern Pennsylvania. They were among the earliest settlers in the vicinity of Millerstown, and both spent the remainder of their lives in that locality. Eleven children were born to them, as follows: William; Philip; Susannah, who married Jonathan Andrews; Christina, who became the wife of Joseph Vensel, of Donegal township; Frederick; Elizabeth, who married John Andrews; Rudolph; Simon; Andrew; Polly, who married Nicholas King, and Catherine, who became the wife of John Eberhart. Mr. Barnhart and wife were members of the Reformed Presbyterian church, and died March 21, 1851, and 1854, respectively. He was a man of strict integrity, and was widely known and respected.

Andrew Barnhart, youngest son of Rudolph and Christina Barnhart, was born upon the old homestead in Fairview township, Butler county, December 12, 1821, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. When a young man he learned the baker's trade, in Butler, and followed that business for a few years in Millerstown, where he established a bakery and confectionery store in 1843. He subsequently embarked in general merchandising, which he carried on down to the spring of 1873, being for thirty years one of the leading business men of that borough. Throughout this period his character was marked by sterling integrity and diligence, which rendered his business career a most prosperous one. In 1844 he married Priscilla Eberhart, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Kistler) Eberhart, of Mercer county, who subsequently removed to Douglas county, Kansas. She was born in Hickory township, Mercer county, April 25, 1825. Of their nine children, four grew to maturity, viz.: Paul I., of Fairview township; Aaron E., of Millerstown; Sadie C., wife of James Gill, of Ottawa,

Kansas, and Obadiah F., deceased. Mr. Barnhart died December 26, 1873. He was a life-long and zealous member of the Evangelical Lutheran church, was an ultra Abolitionist prior to the emancipation of the slaves, and an active temperance advocate. His widow resides with her daughter in Kansas.

Aaron E. Barnhart, son of Andrew and Priscilla Barnhart, was born in Millerstown, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1851, received his education at the public schools and the State Normal Schools at Edinboro, Pennsylvania, and Lebanon, Ohio, and afterwards taught for two years. He assisted his father in the store, and at the death of the latter was appointed executor of the estate. In 1883 he became a member of the firm of Hoch Brothers & Barnhart, which partnership existed until 1888. Since that time he has devoted his attention to his oil and farming interests, owning 112 acres of the original Barnhart tract. He has been prominently interested in the development and improvement of the borough, was one of the originators and first president of the Citizens Light and Fuel Company, also one of the original promoters and stockholders of the Millerstown branch of the Producers Oil Company, Limited. The Barnhart family have been very liberal in their support of churches, and have donated the following church lots: The Sugar Creek or White Oak church lots, donated by Andrew Barnhart, in 1813; ground for the English Evangelical Lutheran church at Millerstown, by F. W. Barnhart, in 1850; the lot for St. John's Reformed church, by David Barnhart, in 1869, and the Methodist Episcopal church lot, at Millerstown, by A. E. Barnhart, in 1874. Mr. Barnhart was married August 18, 1874, to Catherine Fleeger, a daughter of Daniel and Mary (Kittering) Fleeger, of Butler county, and has one son, Oscar Z. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., the K. of P., and the K. of H. fraternities. He has served a number of terms on the school board and borough council, and one term as burgess of Millerstown.

Martin Hoch was born in the City of Genningen, Canton of Tuebingen, Wurtemburg, Germany, February 15, 1818, son of Jacob Hoch. He grew to manhood in his native land, and in 1847, after a few months sojourn in England, he came to New York, journeyed westward by canal to Erie, thence to Pittsburg, and after a short stay in that city, went to Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, where he found employment in the iron mills. By industry and economy he accumulated sufficient capital to start in business for himself, and invested his savings in the erection of a brewery at Millerstown. He at once wrote for his brother, Gottlieb Hoch, an experienced brewer, to join him, and together they conducted the business for many years. Martin finally sold his interest to his brother, and in 1855 opened a hotel in a small building on the site now occupied by the Central Hotel, conducted by his sons, Hoch Brothers. On September 7, 1848, Mr. Hoch was united in marriage with Catherine Gebhardt, a native of Wurtemburg, Germany, born in the City of Giengen, Canton of Heidenheim, February 28, 1822, who alone and without a protector had come to America in 1847. This union was blessed by five sons and one daughter, viz.: Adolphus A.; Augustus; Jacob, and Martin, both deceased; Albert M., a physician, and Catherine Pauline. Mr. Hoch died at his home in Millerstown, December 18, 1888. During his long residence in that borough he was actively identified with its growth and progress, and was one of its most respected citizens.

Adolphus A. Hoch, eldest child of Martin and Catherine Hoch, was born in Millerstown, Pennsylvania, April 1, 1850, and obtained his education in the public schools. When sixteen years of age he began a two years' apprenticeship with his uncle at the brewing industry. He afterwards engaged as a pumper in the Venango and Warren oil fields, and when twenty-one years old he returned to Millerstown, and began operating in that field as a producer in 1873. He had previously been interested in the livery business with his brother, Augustus. In the winter of 1877 the firm of Hoch Brothers was organized, and they erected the Central Hotel block at Millerstown. In 1883 they embarked in the hardware business, and now conduct one of the most extensive and completely equipped hardware and oil well supply houses in Butler county. Mr. Hoch is a charter member of the Citizens Light and Fuel Company, is an extensive stockholder in the Producers Oil Company, Limited, and is a trustee of the Millerstown Branch, and a member of the general advisory board. He has been a member of the borough council for eighteen years; is now president of that body, and has also served as burgess, and as a member of the school board. Mr. Hoch was married September 15, 1874, to Miss Nannie Campbell, a daughter of W. H. H. and Lucinda (Boozel) Campbell. She was born October 22, 1854, and is the mother of four children, viz.: Harry A., born October 22, 1875; Charles W., August 12, 1877; Earl, July 2, 1879, and Adolphus A., April 2, 1882.

Augustus Hoch, second son of Martin and Catherine Hoch, was born in Millerstown, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1852, and grew to maturity in his native town, receiving a public school education. At the age of fourteen years he started in life for himself as an oil pumper, and followed that business for six years. He then returned to Millerstown and engaged in the livery business, which he conducted for three years. Disposing of his stock he embarked in oil producing, and has since developed into one of the most extensive producers in the Millerstown field. In 1877 he became associated with his brother, under the firm name of Hoch Brothers, and, besides their extensive hardware and oil well supply business, they conduct the Central Hotel, of which our subject has charge. Mr. Hoch is also a member of the firm of Seibert, Hoch & Company, who operate a lumber yard and planing mill at Millerstown. In 1877 he married Miss Elizabeth Krugh, of Winfield township, Butler county, a daughter of Henry and Barbara Krugh, and has two children, viz.: Martin G., and Ralph W. E. Mr. Hoch is a Republican, and is a member of Millerstown Lodge, 457, K. of P. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, and are liberal contributors towards every worthy public enterprise.

Henry L. Westermann, a native of Prussia, came to the United States in 1847, and located at Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, where he found employment in a store. In 1856 he removed to Millerstown, and engaged in merchandising, which he carried on successfully until 1879, when he retired from business. He was also interested in oil producing, and was one of the leading citizens of this section of the county. While at Brady's Bend, he married Mary Fetzer, a native, of Germany, who came to this country with her parents. She bore him a family of five children, as follows: Charles J., of the firm of Westermann Brothers; Jacob J., a member of the same firm; Cassie D., wife

of J. C. McKisson, of Toledo, Ohio; Emma, deceased, and Loretta. Mrs. Westermann died in June, 1871. Her husband married Dora Fetzer, who bore him two sons: Henry M., and Richard. He died in October, 1885, aged sixty-three years.

Jacob J. Westermann, of the firm of Westermann Brothers, was born in Millerstown, Butler county, July 5, 1857, second son of Henry L. and Mary Westermann. He was reared in his native town, and was educated in the public schools. In 1875 he entered the Normal College, at Lebanon, Ohio, where he was graduated in 1879. Returning to Millerstown, he formed a partnership with his brother, Charles J., embarked in merchandising and has since continued in that business. They have now the largest department store in Millerstown and one of the largest in the county. They carry a complete stock of dry goods, carpets, and boots and shoes. They are also extensive oil producers, both in the Millerstown field and in Ohio. In 1889 Mr. Westermann married Gertrude McLaughlin, a daughter of John McLaughlin, and has one son, Jacob J. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, and politically, Mr. Westermann is a stanch Democrat.

Chales J. Westermann, of the firm of Westermann Brothers, is the eldest son of Henry L. and Mary (Fetzer) Westermann. He was born in Millerstown, Butler county, August 10, 1855, and was educated in the public schools, and at the Normal College, Lebanon, Ohio. In 1873 he was appointed teller of the German National Bank, at Millerstown. In 1876 he commenced operating in the Millerstown oil field, and in 1880, in connection with his brother, Jacob J., became interested in the Millerstown and Butler fields, and has extensive production in this county and in Ohio. He is also associated with his brother in the mercantile business at Millerstown. Mr. Westermann married Emma Zettle, and both he and wife are members of the German Lutheran church. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat, is a member of the Masonic order, and is one of the representative citizens of the borough.

Jacob Myers was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, and immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1831. He settled in Summit township, but two years later purchased a farm in Oakland township, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1884, at the age of eighty-three years. He was married in Germany to Catherine Ginter, and they were the parents of ten children, four of whom are living. Mrs. Myers died in 1878. They were members of the German Lutheran church, and died in that faith.

John G. Myers, fourth child of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, November 18, 1828, and came with his parents to Butler county when about three years old. He was reared upon the homestead in Oakland township, and received a common school education. At the age of seventeen he commenced to learn the plasterer's trade, and followed the same in Butler and Brady's Bend until 1867. In that year he located at Millerstown, and engaged in the milling business, under the firm name of Myers & Fetzer, which they still carry on. He has also been interested in oil producing and farming, and in 1887, in connection with his son Henry J., he established the Millerstown Deposit Bank, which has since been in successful operation. Mr. Myers was

married in 1858, to Catherine Fetzer, a daughter of Jacob Fetzer, and is the father of six children, viz.: Henry J.; Charles L.; Ida, deceased; Estelle D.; Gussie J., and one that died in infancy. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, is one of the trustees of the Millerstown congregation, and has filled the office of deacon in that society. Politically, he is a Democrat, and has served in the borough council, and has filled the office of school director for twelve years.

Henry J. Myers, banker, is a son of John G. and Catherine Myers, and was born in Butler, Pennsylvania, August 29, 1862. He came with his parents to Millerstown when six years of age and has since resided in this borough. He attended the public schools of Millerstown and subsequently spent two years at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, where he pursued a thorough course of study. He afterwards accepted a position as teller in the German National Bank, of Millerstown, was promoted to cashier, and in 1885, upon the suspension of the bank, he was appointed liquidating officer by the National Bank Commission and filled the position successfully. In 1887 the Millerstown Deposit Bank was organized by Mr. Myers and his father, and he has since been cashier and had general supervision of that institution. Mr. Myers is a prominent member of the Masonic order; is W. M. of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M.; is connected with Butler chapter, Number 273, R. A. M.; with Tancred Commandery, Number 48, K. T.; with Syria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Pennsylvania Consistory, S. P. R. S., in which he has attained the 32d degree, the last three mentioned being in Pittsburg. Politically, Mr. Myers is a Democrat, and aside from his banking interests, he is also interested in the oil industry.

Solomon Fleeger was a native of Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, son of Jacob and Catherine (Whitmire) Fleeger, of Centre township, and a grandson of Christian Fleeger, who came to America during the Revolution as a cavalry soldier in the German contingent of the English army operating against Washington; but he deserted at Philadelphia, and went to Lancaster county, thence to Westmoreland county, and finally settled in Centre township, Butler county, in 1797, where he died. Solomon was the fifth in the family of seventeen children, born to Jacob and Catherine Fleeger. His mother was a daughter of Francis Whitmire, one of the pioneers of this county. He grew to manhood upon his father's farm, and married Clarinda Davis, of Allegheny county. He settled near Millerstown, became quite prominent in that borough, and held the offices of postmaster and justice of the peace for many years. He died February 17, 1892. His widow still resides in Millerstown. Their family consisted of five children, as follows: John; Andrew, and Harriet, who married G. F. Fetzer, all of whom are dead. The survivors are Martin, of Fairview township, and Austin, a resident of Millerstown.

Austin Fleeger, youngest in the family of Solomon and Clarinda Fleeger, was born in Millerstown Pennsylvania, in 1851, and received his education in the public schools and at a select school in Unionville. At the age of thirteen he went to Brady's Bend, where he served an apprenticeship of two years at the shoemaker's trade. He afterwards located in Butler, and learned the cabinet-maker's trade. Returning to Millerstown, he established himself in the cabinet-making and undertaking business, later engaged in the furniture business, in

company with his father, and is now connected with the undertaking trade. About this time he became interested in oil producing, and has since devoted his attention to that industry. Mr. Fleeger was the originator of the Citizens Light and Heat Company, was one of the largest original stockholders, and is at present one of the principal stockholders in the company, as well as president. Although formerly a Republican, and postmaster of Millerstown during Hayes' administration, he is now an ardent Prohibitionist. He is a member of the borough council, and is connected with Millerstown Lodge, No. 947, I. O. O. F. In 1879, Mr. Fleeger married Katie Nugent, a daughter of Morris Nugent, deceased, of Clearfield township, to which union have been born the following children: E. Luella; Harold L.; Mary C.; George W.; Katie Irene; John T., and Austin O.

John Jacob Frederick, son of John Peter and Margaret Elizabeth Frederick, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, May 21, 1824. In 1834 his parents immigrated to the United States, and located in Summit township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, upon the farm now owned by Gottlieb Frederick, and resided there down to their death. John Jacob was the second in a family of eight children, and was but ten years old when his parents came to this county. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm in Summit township, and when fourteen years of age he commenced working as a water boy on the Pennsylvania canal. At the age of twenty-one years he commenced learning the blacksmith's trade at Butler, and served three years with George Walter. He subsequently went to Brady's Bend, where he followed his trade, and later located at Millerstown, establishing himself in business in this borough. He was a good workman and soon won the reputation of being one of the best blacksmiths in the county. After following his trade for many years, he finally retired from active life and devoted his attention to his various business interests. By industry and economy he had accumulated a handsome competence, and, at the time of his death, was one of the wealthiest citizens of Millerstown. Mr. Frederick died at his home, October 21, 1890, dying as he had lived a consistent member of the German Lutheran church. He married Christina Remp, a daughter of John and Anna Maria (Eberhard) Remp, a native of Wurtemburg, Germany, born April 13, 1828. She came to America with her parents when a girl of four years of age, and is still a resident of Millerstown. They reared a family of eleven children, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of James M. Byers, of Fairview; Edward G., and William L., of Millerstown; Mary Ellen, wife of J. C. Gaisford, of the same place; Catherine, wife of Philip Callaghan, also a resident of Millerstown; Christina, deceased; Anna D.; Maggie; Sarah M., wife of P. G. Frederick, of Millerstown; Minnie, and Agnes.

Edward G. Frederick, eldest son of John Jacob and Christina Frederick, was born in Millerstown, Pennsylvania, September 10, 1850, upon the site of the Central Hotel. He was reared in his native town, at the age of fourteen years began learning the blacksmith's trade with his father, and finally took charge of the business, which he has since conducted. He is also an extensive oil producer. Mr. Frederick was married August 19, 1877, to Louisa Camphire, of Brady's Bend. She is a daughter of Jacob and Christina Camphire, and was

born at Brady's Bend May 22, 1857. Three children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Clarence L., born June 6, 1879; Annita M., May 4, 1883, and Ruth A., October 13, 1893. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, of Millerstown, in which Mr. Frederick fills the office of trustee. Upon his father's death he was appointed executor of the estate, and has filled the position with satisfaction to the remaining heirs.

James Seibert came with his wife Catherine and family of three children from Armstrong county about 1842, and settled on a farm in Fairview township, Butler county, where he resided down to his death in 1844; his widow survived until September 16, 1891. They were the parents of five children, as follows: Reuben, of Millerstown; Mary S., wife of Samuel Byers; Bowman B., who resides upon the old homestead in Fairview township; Margaret D., wife of George Emrick, of Virginia, and Henry H., a resident of Crawford county.

Reuben Seibert, eldest son of James and Catherine Seibert, was born in Armstrong county in 1836, and came with his parents to Butler county when a lad of six years old. He spent his boyhood days upon a farm, received his education in the district school, and afterwards learned the wagon-maker's trade. Having a natural aptitude for mechanics, he became quite proficient at his trade. About 1861 he established a wagon factory in Millerstown, as a member of the firm of Seibert & Craig, which he carried on until his shop was destroyed by fire in 1873. For the next two years he followed pumping, and then various occupations until 1883, in which year he established a lumber yard and planing mill in Millerstown, in partnership with P. G. Frederick, under the firm name of Seibert & Frederick, in which he continued until 1888, when he sold his interest. In 1889 the firm of Seibert, Hoch & Company was organized, and has since carried on successfully the lumber and planing mill business. Mr. Seibert was married in 1860, to Lavina Heppler, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Heppler, of Fairview township. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as a member of the borough council. He is a member of the E. A. U., is a good business man, and stands well in the community.

Valentine Hays, a native of Germany, came to America with his parents when twelve years of age. They settled in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, where Valentine grew to maturity. He learned the cigarmaker's trade, and located at Pittsburg, where for several years he conducted a cigar factory. He was married in Pittsburg to Margaret Upperman, a daughter of Conrad Upperman, one of the pioneers of that city. Conrad Upperman organized the first police force of Pittsburg, and kept one of the early hotels opposite the site of the Monongahela House. He took quite a prominent part in the militia, and was familiarly known as Captain Upperman. In 1851 Mr. Hays and wife came to Butler county, and located at Saxonburg; he engaged in the manufacture of cigars, and resided in that borough for eleven years. In 1861 they returned to Pittsburg, and later located in Armstrong county, where Mr. Hays died in 1877, aged fifty-eight years. His widow now resides at Watertown, South Dakota. They were the parents of nine children, six of whom are living, as follows: John V., of Washington, Pennsylvania; William H., of Los Angeles, California; E. F., of Millerstown; George W., a resident of Washington, Pennsylvania; Louis E.,

also a resident of Washington, and Anna A., wife of Frank Grim, of Watertown, South Dakota.

E. F. Hays, son of Valentine and Margaret Hays, was born at Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, April 3, 1851, and was less than a year old when his parents settled at Saxonburg. At the age of thirteen he went to work in Knapp's Gun Works, Pittsburg, then engaged in making cannon for the United States Government, where our subject worked at putting up shells for the navy. He remained there until after the close of the war, and then entered the employ of A. Bradley, stove manufacturer, where he learned the moulder's trade, later he returned to Knapp's Gun Works, and while there was seriously burned with molten metal. He subsequently learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for three years. After some time spent at Kittanning and Brady's Bend, he engaged in the oil business at Parker, and also in Clarion county. In the autumn of 1872 he located at Millerstown, and followed the oil business until 1881. In that year he formed a partnership with his brother, George W., and purchased the hardware store of A. Simpson, which they conducted, under the firm name of Hays Brothers, until March 1, 1890, when E. F. became sole proprietor. He was burned out in the fire of June 14, 1892, suffering a loss of $16,000. He immediately commenced the erection of his present substantial building, which is a two-storied structure, forty by eighty, with basement, which he occupied on October 12, of the same year. He has now the largest stock of oil well supplies, buggies, farming machinery, furniture, etc., in this section of the country. Aside from his business he still devotes considerable attention to oil producing. Mr. Hays was married November 13, 1873, to Margaret C., a daughter of Josiah Klingensmith, of Kittanning, and has three children, viz.: Minnie; Frank, and Clarence. The family are members of the English Lutheran church. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served two years in the borough council, one of which he was president of that body. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, No. 947, I. O. O. F.; also of Millerstown Lodge, No. 340, K. of P., in which he has passed through all the chairs.

Charles H. Johnson, general hardware, oil well supplies, buggies, farming implements, etc., was born in Nunda, Livingstone county, New York, November 6, 1842, son of Ichabod M. and Mary Ann (Colegrove) Johnson. His father was a native of Vermont, came to Pennsylvania when a young man, and located at Smithport, where he followed the shoemaker's trade. He was married in Smithport to Mary Ann Colegrove; then removed to Livingstone county, New York, where he was lock-keeper on the Genesee Valley canal, and died in that State, in 1889, aged seventy-four years. Mrs. Johnson died in 1890, at the age of seventy-two. They were the parents of four children, viz.: Benjamin C.; Charles H., of Millerstown; John T., deceased, and Fred M., also a resident of Millerstown. The subject of this sketch spent his boyhood days with his parents, and received his education in the public schools of New York. At the age of fourteen he engaged as a driver upon the canal, at seven dollars and fifty cents per month, between Olean and Rochester. He saved his money carefully, and at the age of eighteen owned a boat of his own, and when he retired from that business, he was proprietor of a boat and acted as captain. While

his father was lock-keeper, Charles H. tended lock, for which he received one dollar per month. In January, 1865, he came to Petroleum Centre, Venango county, and engaged in teaming in the oil region, and did an extensive business. Later in the same year he built the Pithole Hotel, at Pithole, Venango county, which he carried on in connection with a livery and feed stable and general teaming business. Mr. Johnson was one of the first men to locate on the site of Pithole, during the great oil excitement at that point, and slept on the ground for want of better accommodation. He remained there until 1873, having in the meantime engaged extensively in oil producing. In 1873 he came to Millerstown, engaged in teaming, and later went into the oil business, and is now one of the producers of the town. In December, 1889, he established his present mercantile business, and also was in the livery business for ten years. In politics, he is a Democrat, served as chief of police of Millerstown, from September, 1873, to September, 1876, and also filled the offices of burgess, councilman, and member of the school board. In April, 1865, he married Miss Helen Pifer, a native of Hinsdale, New York, and a daughter of John Pifer. They are the parents of two children, viz.: Charles H., and Grace. Mrs. Johnson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and her husband is connected with the Knights of Honor. He is one of the prominent, enterprising and progressive business men of the community.

Alexander H. Simpson was born at Newton, New Jersey, June 22, 1837, and was educated at the Newton Academy. At the age of seventeen he commenced to learn the hardware, stove and tin business. During the war he was engaged in the United States Military Railroad Department, with headquarters at Alexandria, Virginia, and was honorably discharged in August, 1865. The following month he located at Pithole, Venango county, where he found employment in the hardware store of F. H. Eddy. After a few months he purchased the stock and building and carried on the business until 1868, when the oil production at that point collapsed. Mr. Simpson was married on December 23, 1868, to Helen M. Ridgway, a daughter of Charles B. and Sarah Ridgway, and sister of Hon. T. J. Ridgway, of Lackawaxen, Pike County, Pennsylvania. Four children are the fruits of this union, all of whom are living, viz.: Nellie R.; Harry A.; Edward O., and Blanche. In the spring of 1873, when the oil excitement reached Millerstown, Mr. Simpson was one of the first to see the advantages that town offered as a business center, and in less than two months from his first visit to the place, he had a store building erected and was engaged in active business. He continued without interruption until 1881, when owing to various oil interests and his connection with the Butler County Bank, he sold his business to Hays Brothers. He is an ardent Republican, and has been president of the common councils for two terms, also a member of the school board. Since 1860 he has been connected with the Masonic order, and is also a member of Millerstown Lodge, K. of H.

J. C. Gaisford is a native of England, born in Warminster, Wiltshire, February 25, 1840, and received a good education in schools of his native land. At the age of thirteen he engaged as a clerk in a wholesale dry goods establishment, in the City of London, which position he filled for five years. He then went to South Africa, and for the ensuing nine years was employed in the dry

goods department of a large wholesale house in Cape Town. During his residence there, he became familiar with many of the strange customs and manners of the native population. In 1871 he immigrated to the United States, and joining his brother, Walter W., in business at Oil City, Pennsylvania, remained in that city until 1873. In the latter year he came to Millerstown and engaged in the oil industry as a producer, to which he still devotes considerable attention. Mr. Gaisford is a charter member of the Citizens Light and Heat Company, and has officiated as secretary since its organization. He is a stockholder in and secretary of the Millerstown Fair Association, and also secretary of the Producers Protective Association. He joined the latter in 1887, being the first member initiated in Butler county. Mr. Gaisford is a stanch Democrat, is quite active in politics, and is now serving his second term as justice of the peace. He has also served for four years as secretary of the borough school board. He is connected with Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F., in which he is past district deputy grand master, and is a Royal Templar, and a member of the P. H. C. In 1875 he married Mary E. Frederick, a daughter of John Jacob and Christina Frederick, of Millerstown.

Walter A. Dennison was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 6, 1852, son of Garrett and Mary E. Dennison. His father died when Walter A., was a child, and he grew to maturity in his native city under the care of a devoted mother, receiving his education at Germantown Academy. In 1870 he went to Pittsburg, and engaged as a clerk, but after two years in that capacity, entered into business for himself. In 1876 he came to Butler county and engaged in the furniture business at Millerstown, from which he afterwards retired and engaged in the oil well supply and machinery business, which he conducted for a number of years with marked success. He finally retired from merchandising, his oil and gas interests requiring his entire attention. Mr. Dennison is one of the largest operators in oil and gas in Butler county. He is president of the Pittsburg Refining Company, and is a gentleman of enterprise and public spirit. A Democrat in politics, he has served on the school board for five years, and always manifests a commendable interest in public affairs. Mr. Dennison was married May 27, 1877, to Miss Isadore L. Rivenberg, a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and a daughter of Capt. H. W. Rivenberg, who was killed in the service during the Rebellion. Six children have been born to this union, four of whom are living.

Peter A. Rattigan, editor and proprietor of the Millerstown *Herald*, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, October 25, 1846, son of Peter and Ann (Snee) Rattigan. His father was a native of Longford county, Ireland, came to America when a boy, and followed the carpenter's and builder's trade in Pittsburg. He was quite an extensive contractor of that city, and died there in September, 1862, aged fifty-two years. His widow survived him until April 17, 1892, dying at the ripe old age of eighty-two years. She was born in Pittsburg, in a house which stands near the site of the Boyer Hotel, and when a child playing on the river bank at the foot of Seventh street, a band of Indians appeared on the opposite shore and fired at her. Peter A., attended the Pittsburg public schools, and in early life became newsboy. When but nine years of age he obtained a

situation in the press room of the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, and there began his career as a printer. He rose rapidly in the art, and at the age of seventeen was foreman in the printing house of Benjamin Singerly, the most extensive establishment of the kind in the city at that time. On August 9, 1862, at the ege of sixteen, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He had previously enlisted five times, but was rejected because of his youth. His regiment was assigned to service in the Army of the Potomac, and he participated in the battles of Frederick City, Snicker's Gap, Warrenton, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, etc., and was honorably discharged in 1863. In an engagement near Port Royal, Mr. Rattigan was wounded by the concussion of a bursting shell, which destroyed hearing in the right ear, and was also wounded in the left foot at Chancellorsville. Upon his discharge he returned to Pittsburg, but was unable to continue at his trade, and became steward on a boat running between that city and Nashville. In 1868 he went to Oil City, and accepted a position as foreman on the Oil City *Times*, now the Oil City *Derrick*. After assisting to establish that paper, he accepted a position as superintendent of the Oil City *Herald*. In 1872 he returned to Pittsburg, and remained there until February, 1877, when he came to Millerstown, Butler county, and in May of that year purchased the Millerstown *Herald*, which he has since edited and published. He has enlarged the paper from a five column to an eight column folio, and made it one of the leading Democratic journals of this section. Mr. Rattigan is a stanch Democrat, has been active in political matters, and has been a delegate to many State and county conventions. He has served as burgess of Millerstown, also as justice of the peace and a member of the school board, was appointed postmaster in October, 1885, and filled that office until March, 1890. He is a member of Robert McDermott Post, Number 223, G. A. R., in which he is past commander, and is an aide on the staff of the department commander of the Pennsylvania G. A. R. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F., and is past chancellor of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P. Mr. Rattigan was married October 25, 1868, to Miss Etta M. Bell, daughter of Wellington and Mary Ann (Ryan) Bell, natives of Queens county, Ireland. She was born in that county December 21, 1847,and came with her parents to Pittsburg in 1863, where both her father and mother died. The following children have been born to this union: Harry T.; Annie M.; Wellington J.; Peter A.; Etta; Howard, and Bessie. The family are members of Mater Dolorosa Catholic church, of Millerstown.

William A. Braden was born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, June 15, 1832, son of Jacob and Mary Braden. Jacob Braden was a native of Germany, came to the United States when a young man and settled in Crawford county, where he married Miss Mary Norris. When our subject was but five years old his father died, and he went to live with a family in Erie, with whom he remained until his fifteenth year. He then found employment elsewhere, and in the meantime obtained a fair common school education. After spending a year in Illinois he returned to Pennsylvania, and engaged in the cherry lumber business, at Waterford, Erie county. In November, 1854, Mr. Braden married Miss Sarah A. Thompson, a native of Erie county. They resided in Missouri

until 1862, and then returned to Pennsylvania, and the following year located in Venango county. In 1872 he came to Millerstown, Butler county, and for three years conducted the Union Pump Station in that borough. He then engaged with a dealer in heavy oils, and erected a refinery in 1877. In 1880 he established an extensive teaming business in connection with the Pipe Line Company, which he still continues. Mr. and Mrs. Braden are the parents of five children, two sons and three daughters, as follows: Glenn T., general superintendent of the National Transit Pipe Line; Charlie A., foreman of the Zelienople district of the National Transit Pipe Line; La Verne; Euretta, and Sarah. Mr. Braden is P. C. of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P., and is also connected with Rising Sun Lodge, O. O. T., of the same borough.

William J. Logan, merchant and producer, is a native of Venango county, Pennsylvania, born at Petroleum Centre, June 1, 1867, son of Thomas B. and Mary E. (Sampson) Logan. His father was a native of New York, and served three years in the Rebellion as a member of a New York regiment. He was married July 6, 1866, at Petroleum Centre, to Mary E. Sampson. She was born in Buffalo, New York, November 10, 1850, a daughter of James T. and Jane Sampson. Her father was a native of England and served as a soldier in the English army, while her mother was a native of Ireland. Mrs. Logan received a thorough educational training in the public schools of her native city, and, in 1865, went to Petroleum Centre, where she was married the following year. In 1876 she embarked in business at Millerstown, where she carried on a restaurant until May, 1880, when she established a grocery and confectionery business, which she successfully conducted until her death. Mrs. Logan was a woman of more than ordinary business ability, and by a strict application of business principles, she was prosperous from the start. She was very charitable, and on every Thanksgiving and Christmas the poor of the town were remembered by liberal donations from her store. So unostentatiously was her charity distributed that many of her good deeds remained unknown until after her death. She died at Millerstown, October 7, 1893, and was buried at Forest Lawn cemetery, Buffalo, New York. She was the mother of six children, three of whom grew to maturity, as follows: William J.; Casper T., and Charles G., who died November 17, 1893. The subject of this sketch, was educated in the public schools of Millerstown and Buffalo, worked as a boiler maker and machinist, and also as a clerk, assisting with his earnings in the support of the family. In 1892 he went to Latrobe, where he followed his trade until the fall of 1893, when he returned to Millerstown. After the death of his mother he took charge of the grocery and confectionery business, which he has since conducted. He is also interested in oil producing. Mr. Logan was married September 27, 1893, to Emma Hindman, of Millerstown. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F., Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P., and also of Linton Division, Number 59, Uniformed Rank, K. of P., at Latrobe.

Francis Murphy was born in Drumore, Down county, Ireland, May 25, 1843. He comes of a long line of Irish ancestry who for generations have been members of the Church of England, and prominent Orangemen. When but four years of age he was brought to America by his parents, who located in

Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where his mother soon afterwards died. His father engaged in the mercantile business at Pittsburg, later removed to Niles, Ohio, and died there at the age of sixty-seven years. Our subject is one of a family of three children, and received a good education in the public schools of Pittsburg. At the age of eighteen he commenced an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade, and followed this vocation as a journeyman for some years. In 1877 he came to Millerstown, and the following year became a member of the firm of Campbell & Murphy, which still exists and carries on a general machinist business, with Mr. Murphy in charge of the works. On December 24, 1866, he married Jennie, a daughter of John Fulton, to which union have been born four children, viz.: Carrie, wife of Dr. A. L. Gibson, of Millerstown; Francis H., a graduate of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania; Annie E., a graduate of the Beethoven School of Music, at Meadville, and Agnes May, deceased. The family are members of the Millerstown Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Murphy is a stanch Republican, and is a member of the borough council. He is past master of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M.; is a charter member of Butler Chapter, Number 273, R. A. M.; is a member of Mount Calvary Commandery, Number 67, K. T., of Greenville, and of Syria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Pittsburg.

Richard F. Westermann, one of the leading business men of Millerstown, is a native of Sulzbach, Germany, a small town near the River Rhine, born January 4, 1863, son of Charles and Louisa (Busse) Westermann, both residents of Germany. His father is a brother of Henry L. Westermann, deceased, for many years the head of the largest mercantile establishment of Millerstown. Richard F. is the ninth in a family of fourteen children, of whom twelve survive. His boyhood days were spent in his native town, where he received a thorough educational training, and at the age of twelve years began a course of study preparatory to entering a university. He continued his studies until he had attained the age of sixteen years, when he decided to try his fortune in the New World. Leaving behind him the tender associations of kindred and home, he embarked at Antwerp, May 20, 1879, and landed at Jersey City, June 1, following. He was met there by his uncle, Henry L. Westermann, who brought him to Millerstown. The appearance of the country and the prosperous towns along the route impressed him with the advantages of this land, and he determined to master the language and familiarize himself with our customs. Upon his arrival at Millerstown, he entered the employ of Westermann Brothers, for whom he clerked seven years. In 1886 he became a member of the firm of R. F. Westermann & Company, dealers in clothing and men's furnishing goods, to which business he has since devoted his attention, and is the only exclusive clothing house in the borough. Mr. Westermann was married January 16, 1889, to Lucinda Burnett, a daughter of Singleton and Rose (Potter) Burnett. She was born on the celebrated Tar farm, in Venango county, October 24, 1866. Her father died while she was quite young, and her mother married B. H. Griswold, a well known oil producer of Millerstown. To Mr. and Mrs. Westermann has been born one child, Karl F., born August 18, 1890. Politically, he is a Democrat, and has voted that ticket since he became a citizen of the United States in 1884. He is secre-

tary of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M.; has passed the chairs in Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F., and in Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P.

JOHN SHOWALTER, of Rockingham county, Virginia, came to Fayette county, Pennsylvania, with his family, about 1810, and took up a large tract of land, upon which he spent the remainder of his days. He was widely and favorably known among the pioneers of that county. He reared a family of ten children, viz.: Reuben, and Levi, both deceased; Benoni, a resident of Kentucky; Eliza, and Jacob L., both residents of Fayette county; Sarah, deceased wife of Major I. M. Abraham; Susannah, deceased wife of Hugh Gilmore; John M., deceased; James W., now the oldest school teacher in Fayette county, and Samuel, deceased.

LEVI SHOWALTER, second son of John Showalter, was born in Rockingham county, Virginia, October 22, 1805, and was about five years old when his parents settled in Fayette county. He there grew to manhood, and in 1839 married Elizabeth Baltzell, a native of Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, born September 12, 1818, and a daughter of Joseph Baltzell, an early settler of Greene county. Mr. Showalter resided in Fayette county during his lifetime, with the exception of two years spent in Butler county. He died in Fayette county, December 13, 1889. He served in the army as trainmaster during the Rebellion, being too far advanced in years to enlist in the ranks, although he endeavored to do so. He was a strong Whig and Abolitionist, and later a Republican, casting his first presidential vote for John Quincy Adams, in 1828, and his last one for Benjamin Harrison, in 1888. His widow resides in the old home in Fayette county, in her seventy-sixth year. They were the parents of the following children: Mary Catherine, deceased; Sarah E., wife of Prof. Archie Woodside, of Wilkinsburg; Samuel F., of Millerstown; Hattie A., who resides with her mother; John J., and Joseph B., both of whom are residents of Millerstown.

HON. JOSEPH B. SHOWALTER was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1851, and is the youngest in the family of Levi and Elizabeth Showalter. His boyhood days were spent upon his father's farm, and he obtained his education in the public schools and at George's Creek Academy, at Smithfield. When sixteen years of age he commenced teaching school in Preston county, West Virginia, and followed this vocation for some years in West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois. He then returned home and taught for two years in his native county. In 1873 he came to Millerstown, Butler county, and, in company with his brothers, began operating in the Millerstown oil field, striking their first well on Christmas day, 1873. These operations have been extended to various fields, and the Showalter Brothers are now among the extensive producers of the State. While teaching he began reading medicine, and spent the year of 1883 at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. He later entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Maryland, where he was graduated, March 4, 1884. He at once commenced practice at Millerstown, and continued his professional duties for six years, retiring from practice in 1890. In 1886 Dr. Showalter was elected, on the Republican ticket, to the legislature, and during his term was a member of the committee on con-

stitutional reform. In 1888 he was elected to the State Senate, and served his constituents with ability and fidelity. He was chosen chairman of the committee on health and sanitation, and introduced and secured the passage of the medical examination bill, for which he received a vote of thanks from the Pennsylvania State Medical Society. Senator Showalter entered into his work with determination and good judgment, soon won the respect and confidence of his colleagues, and fully justified the expectations of his many friends. He introduced several bills, all of which were highly beneficial. His oil bill is now generally endorsed by producers as a wise and conservative measure. On March 25, 1879, Mr. Showalter married Ella M. McKee, a daughter of Hon. David McKee, of Slippery Rock township, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Levi M. deceased; Genevieve; Pauline; Joseph B., deceased, and Lucile. Mr. and Mrs. Showalter are members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Millerstown.

Samuel F. Showalter, a son of Levi and Elizabeth (Baltzell) Showalter, was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, August 16, 1845. His early life was spent upon a farm, and his education was obtained in the public schools, supplemented by a thorough course in George's Creek Academy. At the age of sixteen he began teaching in the public schools, and taught in Preston county, West Virginia, where he received the highest remuneration of any teacher in the schools. For seven years he successfully followed his vocation in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Indiana. In 1868 he engaged as a pumper in the Warren county oil field, and later secured some valuable leases and became a producer. In August, 1873, he came to Millerstown and organized the firm of Showalter Brothers, oil operators and producers. Their operations in the Millerstown field have been large and particularly successful, putting down twenty-six wells before striking a dry hole. Their first well in this field came in on Christmas, 1873, at one hundred barrels a day. Mr. Showalter was married September 19, 1877, to Sadie C., a daughter of Isaac Lamborn, of Centre county, to which union have been born seven children, six of whom are living: Hattie Beryl; Sarah Freda; Blanche Elizabeth; Mary Elva; Jennie R., and Helen Ruth. Mr. Showalter is a trustee in the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a member of Millerstown Lodge, No. 947, I. O. O. F. Politically, a Republican, he was a member of the county committee during the constitutional campaign, and has also served several terms on the school board of Millerstown. He is now a member of the board, and is one of the prominent and respected citizens of his adopted home.

John J. Showalter, son of Levi and Elizabeth Showalter, was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1849, received a common school education, and also attended George's Creek Academy. At the age of fifteen years he started in life for himself, engaging as a driller in the oil country. Later, with his brothers, he embarked in the oil business, and in 1873 began operating in the Millerstown field. He is now one of the well known and successful producers of the county. He is a stockholder in the Producers Pipe Line Company. In 1880 Mr. Showalter married Miss Jennie Robinson, a daughter of Samuel Robinson, of Fayette county. Though this union has not been blessed with children,

they have an adopted son, Robert, now seven years old, whom they have reared from infancy. Mr. Showalter is a stanch Republican, and both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Dr. Willard L. DeWolfe, son of E. Darwin and Catherine (Christley) DeWolfe, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, February 25, 1856, and spent his early boyhood upon the farm, and in attending the district school of his neighborhood. When he was in his tenth year his father died, and, the family being broken up, he went to Butler, and found a home with Thomas Robinson. He afterwards lived with Samuel L. Riddle, of Karns City. After remaining there one year, he went to Mercer county and found employment as a woodsman, working for his board, and attended the district school during the winter. When fourteen years of age, he entered a select school at Grove City, now the Grove City College, then under the principalship of Rev. William T. Dixon, and for two years he devoted himself assiduously to his studies. In the winter of 1871 he entered Allegheny College, at Meadville, where he continued his studies for three years, then, because of failing health, he was compelled to retire from school in his junior year. He spent some time teaching in the public schools, and as a pumper in the oil fields; but, in the meantime, had commenced to read medicine under Dr. Rumberger. In 1877 he went to Philadelphia, and continued his studies under the preceptorship of Dr. J. V. Shoemaker, now professor of therapeutics and clinical surgery, in the Medico Chirurgical College of that city, and the author of many standard medical works. He attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, and graduated from that institution in 1879. Dr. DeWolfe commenced practice at North Liberty, Pennsylvania, and two years later located at Coaltown, where he remained until 1886, in which year he removed to Millerstown. He has since won the confidence of the community in his medical skill, and has built up a large and lucrative practice. In 1890 he engaged in the drug trade, and in 1893 he erected his handsome business block in that borough, where he has since carried on business. In 1876 Dr. DeWolfe married Miss Jennie Thompson, a daughter of David and Isabella Thompson, of Buena Vista, Butler county, to which union have been born three children, two of whom are living, viz.: Charles L., and Harry R. The Doctor has been highly successful in his many business ventures and is an enterprising, progressive citizen. Aside from his professional duties he is extensively interested in oil producing, and is one of the substantial citizens of the community. He is a prominent member of the Masonic order; is W. M. in Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M.; is a member of Butler Chapter, Number 273, R. A. M.; is a charter member of Mt. Calvary Commandery, Number 67, K. T.; is a member of Pennsylvania Consistory, S. P. R. S., and has attained the thirty-second degree. He is commander of Blaney Tent, Number 123, K. O. T. M., and was elected G. M. E., for the State in September, 1893. He is also connected with the I. O. O. F., and K. of P. fraternities. Dr. DeWolfe is a member of the Butler County Medical Association, of which he was president in 1887, and is also a member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the National Association of Railway Surgeons.

JOHN W. TITLEY, proprietor of Chestnut Hill Stock Farm, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, November 5, 1848, son of Walter and Sarah (Bish) Titley. His father was a native of Shropshire, England, where the family lived for generations, and came when a young man to Armstrong county, where he married Sarah Bish, and died in 1872. His widow is still living. They were the parents of eight children, seven of whom are now living, four sons being residents of Millerstown, viz.: John W.; James J.; George A., and William E. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools and at Iron City College, Pittsburg, which he entered at the age of sixteen and completed his course. At the age of nineteen he embarked in the stock business, as a breeder of fine draft horses, and has ever since been engaged in the stock business. In partnership with his brothers, he owned and operated the Titley farm, which had a production of 700 barrels per day. In 1887 he came to Millerstown, purchased and conducted a livery stable for a few years, and then disposed of the business. He is the owner of Star Pointer, with a record of 2:11¾ by Brown Hal, out of the dam of Hal Pointer, whose record is 2:04½; also Grand View, with a record of 2:21¾, by Bay Tom, dam by Tom Hal. He has thirty head of pacing stock, of the Hal strain, and owns a stock farm of 300 acres in Donegal township. Mr. Titley was married in 1868, to Lavina Stephens, of Armstrong county, to which union have been born four sons and four daughters. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F.

JAMES J. TITLEY was born in Armstrong county, January 28, 1861, son of Walter and Sarah (Bish) Titley, and was but ten years of age when his father died. He remained with his mother until his twentieth year, when he purchased a farm and engaged in agriculture. Three years later he sold the farm and became a member of the firm of Titley Brothers, oil operators and producers, operating the famous Titley farm, in Armstrong county. In 1888 he located at Millerstown, since which time he has continued as an operator in this field. He also devotes considerable attention to raising fine horses, and is the owner of Vespasian, with a record of 2:24¼. Mr. Titley was married March 9, 1882, to Margaret I. McKee, a daughter of Thomas V. and Mary McKee of Armstrong county, where her father has served two terms as county commissioner, and is a prominent and leading citizen. Five children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Mary Blanche; James Arthur; Edgar Ralph; Walter, and Leroy McKee. Politically, Mr. Titley is a Republican, and is also connected with Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P.

WILLIAM E. TITLEY was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1867, son of Walter and Sarah (Bish) Titley. At the age of fourteen years he entered Clarion Normal School, where he pursued a thorough course of study, and afterwards engaged with his brothers in the oil industry on the famous Titley farm. He also embarked in the breeding of fine horses, and later became a partner with his brother, John W., in the last mentioned business, which partnership existed until the fall of 1892. Mr. Titley is the owner of a fine stock farm of 240 acres in Armstrong county, well stocked with high bred horses. He is a breeder of pacing stock, and the owner of Hal Braden, with a record of 2:07½, by Brown Hal, the fastest horse in Pennsylvania, and with a

record of the six fastest heats in one race of any horse in America. Since 1889 Mr. Titley has made his residence in Millerstown. He is a member of the Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F., and in politics, he is a stanch Republican.

Joseph P. Campbell, son of John and Margaret (Beers) Campbell, pioneers of Butler county, was a native of this county, and here grew to manhood. He married Margaret Jane Varnum, also a native of Butler county, and after a short residence here removed to Armstrong county; later returned to Fairview township, Butler county, and thence removed to Lawrence county, where, after a residence of eleven years, Mr. Campbell died, his death occuring December 10, 1888, aged sixty-eight years. His widow now resides in Centreville, Butler county. They were the parents of six sons and six daughters, six of whom survive, as follows: Elvira, wife of H. P. Kiskaddon; Joseph L., of Millerstown; George M., of Centreville; Carrie, wife of J. L. McKee, of Millerstown; Samuel E., of Brady township, and Thomas C., a resident of Centreville.

Joseph L. Campbell, physician and surgeon, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1861, and came to Butler county with his parents, Joseph P. and Margaret Jane Campbell. At the age of eighteen years he entered Grove City College, where for three years he prosecuted his studies assiduously. He afterwards remained with his parents on the farm for some time, and, in 1884, engaged in merchandising at Kiester station, where he remained two years. In 1887 he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at Baltimore, Maryland, where he attended two courses of lectures, and then began practice in Washingtonville, Ohio. Returning to Pennsylvania in the winter of 1888, he entered the Western Pennsylvania Medical College, at Pittsburg, and graduated from that institution, March 28, 1889. The following June Dr. Campbell located in Millerstown, where he has since won and retained a large and successful practice. Politically, he is a Republican, and the family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Dr. Campbell was married March 9, 1881, to Miss Sadie F. Seth, of North Liberty, Mercer county, and has three children, viz.: Mary E.; Leonora F., and Claire. The Doctor is a member of Butler County Medical Association, and is one of the well known practitioners of the county.

Samuel S. Bell, son of Samuel Bell, and grandson of William Bell, pioneers of Washington township, Butler county, was born about a mile north of North Washington, February 15, 1822, was reared on the homestead and attended the common school of his neighborhood. He learned the blacksmith's trade with H. P. McClymonds, of North Washington, and followed that business, first at Brady's Bend and afterwards at Boydstown, for several years. He subsequently removed to Wisconsin, where he lived from 1853 to 1856, then returned to Butler county and continued working at his trade for a few years at North Washington. Since that time he has been engaged in farming, oil producing and merchandising. On September 15, 1846, he married Margaret McClymonds, a daughter of James McClymonds, of Washington township. The McClymonds family originally came from Scotland, and were among the early settlers of Butler county. Mrs. Bell was born and reared in Washington township, and became the mother of four sons and one daughter, viz.: Sylvester D.; James M; Samuel

C., deceased; Perry A., and Zilla, wife of I. B. Gilmore, of Millerstown. Mr. Bell retired to Millerstown several years ago, and here his wife died, June 28, 1885. She became a member of the old Bear Creek United Presbyterian church in 1846, to which denomination he also belongs. Politically, he is a Republican, and is the agent of the Humane Society in Butler county.

Frederick William Purucker, son of Erhardt and Louisa Purucker, was born in Bavaria, Germany, August 4, 1844. His father was a manufacturer of uniform and regimental goods for the use of the army, and both his parents died in Germany. At the age of fourteen years our subject became an apprentice at the butcher's trade, serving two years and paying twenty-five florins for his tuition. He then followed his trade as a journeyman in Austria, Russia, Hungary, Turkey, France, Switzerland and Italy. In 1866 he served as a soldier in the Thirteenth German Infantry, and for meritorious service on the field was promoted to the rank of corporal. In 1869 he came to America on a visit and determined to remain in this country. In 1870 he established himself in business at Pittsburg, and in 1877 he located at Millerstown, where he has since conducted a successful business. He was burned out in the fire of 1892, but immediately afterwards erected his present substantial building, which is twenty-four by seventy and two stories high, one of the finest business houses in the borough. In 1871 Mr. Purucker was married in Pittsburg, to Miss Louisa Stayer, a native of Baden, Germany, to which union have been born eleven children. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, at Millerstown, and in politics, are adherents of the Republican party. Mr. Purucker is a member of the A. O. U. W., and the E. A. U., and is one of the substantial business men of the borough.

P. G. Frederick, youngest child of George and Catherine Frederick, was born in Summit township, Butler county, in 1851, grew to maturity upon his father's farm, and received his education in the district school. In 1872 he engaged in merchandising at Millerstown, as a member of the firm of B. Frederick & Company, and followed the mercantile business for several years, when he sold out and engaged in blacksmithing. In 1883 he embarked in the lumber business, as a member of the firm of Seibert & Frederick, now P. G. Frederick & Company, and conducts a planing mill and general lumber business. On October 3, 1884, he married Sarah M. Frederick, a daughter of Jacob Frederick, and they are the parents of four children. The family are members of the German Lutheran church. In politics, Mr. Frederick is a Democrat, and is connected with the K. O. T. M.

Adam Schultz, of the firm of P. G. Frederick & Company, planing mill and lumber dealers, was born at Brady's Bend, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, April 13, 1857, son of Adam Schultz, who came to Armstrong county from Germany about 1855. His mother died when he was a child, and his father in 1872. Adam was the fourth in a family of five children, and when twelve years of age commenced working in an iron furnace at Brady's Bend, where he continued until he was sixteen years old. He came to Millerstown January 1, 1874, and found employment with H. L. Westermann, clerking and delivering goods. He remained with Mr. Westermann until December 13, 1888, when he purchased an interest in his present business. On May 6, 1879, he married

Magdalena Frank, a native of Alsace, Germany, who came to the United States in 1871. She returned to her native land in 1877, but came back again in the fall of that year. Mr. Schultz and wife are members of the German Lutheran church of Millerstown.

GEORGE P. TADDER was born in Nunda, New York, March 10, 1845, son of James and Margaret (Wheatrick) Tadder. His father was a native of Massachusetts and his mother a native of Germany. She came to America with her parents at the age of nine years, where she grew to womanhood and married James Tadder, who had served in the War of 1812. He died in 1861, and his widow in 1891. They were the parents of seven children, only two of whom are living: William W., and George P. The subject of this sketch was reared upon the homestead farm in New York, and received his education in the public schools. In 1864 he enlisted in Company E, First New York Dragoons, and served in the Shenandoah campaign, participating in the battles of Winchester and Cedar Creek. He was discharged at Rochester, New York, July 18, 1865. At the battle of Winchester the color bearer dropped the flag and Mr. Tadder picked it up, and for this action was made color bearer, with the rank of corporal. He was captured at Lovettsville, but escaped. After the war he located at Pithole, Venango county, where he followed oil producing. In 1873 he came to Greece City, Butler county, and established a livery and casing business, and also had a similar business at Troutman. In 1882 he located at Millerstown, where he carried on a livery stable until 1894. Mr. Tadder is the inventor of several tools for the removal of casings from wells, which are now being largely adopted. On July 3, 1872, he married Mary J. Markwell, a daughter of Stephen Markwell. She was born near Toronto, Ontario, and came to Pithole, Venango county, with her parents, who now reside at Greece City. They are the parents of six children, viz.; Frank W.; Florence; Archie; Winifred; George L., and Mabel, deceased. Mr. Tadder is a Republican, in politics, and is a stanch supporter of that party.

JOHN MURTLAND was born in Concord township, Butler county, in 1812, son of Robert Murtland, who came to this county about 1803, where he resided until his death. Robert was a soldier in the War of 1812, and reared a family of five sons and two daughters. John grew to manhood upon his father's farm, amidst the pioneer scenes and incidents of the period. He married Margaret Flemming, of Butler county, and settled upon a part of the homestead in Concord township, where he remained during his life time. He died in February, 1876; his widow died March 26, 1894. Twelve children were the fruits of this union, seven of whom are now living: Ann E., wife of Simon Young, of Centre township; William F., of Clay township; James H., of Fayette county; John C., of Millerstown; Maggie, wife of James Rankin, of Penn township; Johanna, wife of C. P. Gordon, of Venango county, and I. P., who resides upon the old homestead.

JOHN C. MURTLAND, son of John and Margaret Murtland, was born in Concord township, Butler county, April 1, 1848, and spent his boyhood days upon his father's farm. He received his education at the little log school house not far from the old home, and at the age of eighteen years entered upon an

apprenticeship of two years at the stonemason's trade, which business he followed for seven years. In 1873 he engaged in merchandising at Troutman, in Concord township, and continued in the same business in various parts of Butler county until 1883. For the following seven years he conducted a furniture and undertaking business at West Sunbury. In the spring of 1890 he located in Millerstown, where he has since carried on a grocery store. In December, 1871, he married Lizzie Hindman, a daughter of John Hindman, of Cherry township, and the is father of eight children. The family are members of the English Lutheran church, of Millerstown. Politically, Mr. Murtland is a Prohibitionist, takes quite an active interest in public affairs, and is a member of the Royal Arcanum.

Capt. John McCollough, the progenitor of the family in Butler county, was of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. His parents were pioneers of that locality and his father a practicing physician. During the absence of the latter from home, his wife was murdered by the hired man and the cabin burned to the ground. Young John escaped into the woods, and afterwards found a home with a German family, with whom he lived some years and became quite proficient in the German language. He served as an Indian scout upon the frontier during the troubles with the savages, and was afterwards a captain in the War of 1812. As an illustration of the hardships endured by these brave defenders of the nation, he often related how, upon one occasion, the soldiers of his company, worn out by forced marches, stretched themselves upon the damp ground to sleep and in the morning found their clothing and hair frozen fast to the ground. Captain McCollough married Elizabeth Spangler, a native of Luzerne county, who became the mother of ten children, as follows: William; James; John; Elizabeth, wife of James Crawford, of Concord township; Mary, deceased wife of Daniel Kridler; David; Sarah, wife of William Wick, of Concord township; Susan, wife of William Truxal, of Butler; Catherine, wife of John Miller, of Allegheny county, and Phoebe, wife of John Geets, of Fairview township. Late in the last or early in the present century Captain McCollough and wife settled in Fairview township, Butler county, where he entered a large tract of land. He subseqently removed to Butler, resided in that borough for many years, but finally located at Millerstown, where he died in 1847, at the age of seventy-seven years. He was an elder in the English Lutheran church, a man of clear judgment, and took a prominent part in the public affairs of his times.

James McCollough, second son of Capt. John and Elizabeth McCollough, was born upon the homestead in Fairview township, November 4, 1803. He was reared beneath the parental roof, and married Elizabeth R. Sanderson, born August 18, 1804, a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Sanderson. They settled upon a portion of the land entered by his father, in Fairview township, where Mrs. McCollough died, July 1, 1855. Her husband survived until May 1, 1889. They were the parents of seven children, only three of whom grew to maturity, viz.: William S., of Fairview township; Eliza, wife of E. Christy, of Oakland township, and Mary Ann, deceased wife of Jacob Wolford.

William S. McCollough, eldest child of James and Elizabeth R. McCollough, was born upon the homestead farm in Fairview township, November 10, 1826. He grew to maturity with his parents, assisting them to clear the farm, and wearing the coarse homespun clothes of the period. His education was obtained in a subscription school, the first school he attended being held in a little log building on the farm he now owns. On June 1, 1854, Mr. McCollough was married to Hannah, a daughter of Adam and Elizabeth Kamerer, and settled upon his present homestead. The land was unimproved, and the young couple took up their residence in the little log school house previously mentioned. They are the parents of eleven children, as follows: James M., born August 14, 1855; Adam M., June 19, 1858; Robert L., January 11, 1861, died April 3, 1865; Henry K., October 29, 1863, died October 15, 1883; Charles P., May 23, 1866; Allan C., August 19, 1868; Elizabeth C., August 12, 1872; William F., July 11, 1875; Frederick H., April 27, 1878; Sarah P., May 29, 1881, and Ralph L., December 2, 1885, died April 25, 1892. The family are members of the English Lutheran church, of Millerstown, in which Mr. McCollough has served as elder and trustee. He is a stanch Republican, and has filled the offices of justice of the peace, supervisor, and school director. He is the owner of 400 acres of well improved land, has a good oil production, and is a successful and respected citizen.

James Mylet McCollough, son of William S. and Hannah (Kamerer) McCollough, was born in Fairview township, August 14, 1855. His boyhood days were passed upon the farm in assisting his parents with the home duties, and he attended the district school of his neighborhood, supplementing this with a course at Edinboro State Normal School and the Prospect Academy, afterwards teaching in the public schools. On May 28, 1877, he married Mary Belle Singer, and located upon his present homestead. This union has been blessed by four children, viz.: Edmund K.; Kenneth M.; Carrol Wayne, and James Eden. Mrs. McCollough is a daughter of David and Amanda (Bole) Singer, the former a native of Dauphin county, and the latter of Armstrong county. Her father died in Allegheny county, and her mother is spending her last years with Mrs. McCollough. Though now in her seventy-fifth year, she is a well-preserved, hale and active old lady. Mr. McCollough is a stanch Republican; a leading member of his party in Fairview township; has filled the various local offices of his community, and was a delegate to the State convention in 1894. He is one of the progressive farmers of the county, and gives a liberal support to every worthy enterprise. He is a member of Derrick Lodge, K. of P.; also of Millerstown Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Jr. O. U. A. M.

David McCollough, sixth child of Capt. John and Elizabeth McCollough, was born April 11, 1811, in Fairview township, Butler county. When eleven years of age he removed with his parents to Butler, where he attended the public schools and learned the potter's trade. He married Mary King, a daughter of Philip King, born in Armstrong county in 1803. They located upon a part of the McCollough tract in Fairview township, where they spent the remainder of their lives. Mrs. McCollough died July 22, 1863, and her husband December 12, 1880. They were the parents of seven children, viz.: Richard J.; John C.;

Sarah, wife of William Pontius; Phoebe, deceased; William H.; Diana, deceased, and Margaret M., wife of S. Yager.

Richard J. McCollough was born upon the homestead farm, February 14, 1837, and is the eldest child of David and Mary McCollough. He grew to maturity in Fairview township and was educated in the little log school house of pioneer days. In 1856 he married Elizabeth Kamerer, a daughter of Daniel and Harriet (Daubenspeck) Kamerer, born May 27, 1840. They took up their residence in Fairview township, where Mrs. McCollough died, October 12, 1883, leaving two children, viz.: Alvin A., since deceased, and Elmer S., of Fairview township. On August 20, 1884, Mr. McCollough married Lavina Kamerer, a sister of his first wife. She was born January 2, 1848. They are members of the English Lutheran church, of Milerstown. Politically, a Republican, he has held various positions in the township, and is recognized as one of the successful farmers of the community.

Elmer S. McCollough, son of Richard J. and Elizabeth McCollough, was born in Fairview township, May 13, 1863, was reared upon the homestead farm, and was married January 21, 1885, to Maude Herron, of Armstrong county. They located in Fairview township, where Mr. McCollough devotes his time to farming and stock-raising. He is particularly interested in fine trotting-bred pacers and has some valuable stock in that line, among them being Sandy Wilkes, with a three-year old record of 2:47, sired by Crawford, with a record of 2:07¾. He is a stanch Republican, and takes an active interest in the public affairs of his township. To Mr. and Mrs. McCollough have been born three sons, viz.: Alvin E.; Richard H., and Arthur L.

John C. McCollough, son of David and Mary (King) McCollough, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, February 25, 1839, and was reared and educated in his native township. In 1861 he married Mary A., a daughter of Daniel and Harriet (Daubenspeck) Kamerer, born March 27, 1839. They located upon their present homestead, which they have since greatly improved and brought to a high state of cultivation. Mr. McCollough enlisted in Company K, Sixty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, July 16, 1863. His regiment formed a part of the Second Brigade, First Division of the Fifth Army Corps. He participated in the battles of the Rappahannock, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Bermuda Hundred, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Five Forks, Siege of Petersburg, and the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. He was transferred to the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth regiment, July 3, 1864, and was honorably discharged June 5, 1865, after having done service in fifty-two battles and skirmishes. He is a member of Robert McDermott Post, G. A. R., of Millerstown. For many years he has been connected with the English Lutheran church of that borough, in which he has filled the offices of elder and treasurer.

Samuel W. McCollough, county commissioner, is a son of William and Elizabeth (Rumbaugh) McCollough. His father was the eldest child of Capt. John McCollough, and was born in Butler county in 1801. He married Elizabeth Rumbaugh and settled in Fairview township, retiring to Millerstown after attaining old age. Mrs. McCollough died in 1878, in her seventy-seventh year, and her husband in 1880. William McCollough had been an active, prominent

citizen for many years, held various official positions, and accumulated a large amount of property. Four of his children grew to maturity, as follows: Mary, who married George M. Craig; David S.; Peter, and Samuel W. The last mentioned was born upon the homestead in Fairview township, March 10, 1844, and grew to maturity beneath the parental roof. On August 6, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under the command of Col. M. S. Quay, the regiment forming part of Humphrey's Division, Army of the Potomac. He did good service at Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, and followed the fortunes of his regiment down to May 24, 1863, when he was honorably discharged from service. In 1864 Mr. McCollough married Catherine Kamerer, a daughter of Daniel L. Kamerer, of Fairview township. She was born June 7, 1846, and is the mother of seventeen children, viz.: Elizabeth C., deceased; George G.; Adrian H.; Louis L.; Mary L.; Emma G.; Maggie J.; John L.; Albert A.; Cora A.; Lillian B.; Florence M.; Merrill; Elmer C., deceased; Clarence B.; Sylvester D. B., and Esther M. In 1869 Mr. McCollough located upon his present farm in Fairview township, and ranks among the leading agriculturists of the county. He has always been an ardent Republican, has filled various positions in his township, and was elected a county commissioner in the fall of 1893 by a flattering majority. He is a P. C. of Robert McDermott Post, G. A. R., and is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 947, I. O. O. F. Mr. McCollough and wife are members of the English Lutheran church, and he is recognized as one of the progressive and successful citizens of the county.

David S. McCollough, son of William and Elizabeth (Rumbaugh) McCollough, was born in Fairview township, April 10, 1830. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm, and he enjoyed the meager advantages afforded by the common schools of that period. He was married December 8, 1853, to Mary, daughter of William Emerick, born in Fairview township, February 10, 1833. She became the mother of seven children by this union, as follows: Elizabeth P., wife of John Lewis, of Steuben county, New York; Lydia A., wife of David Kirkland, of Pittsburg; Anna M., wife of George Hays, of Washington, Pennsylvania; William W.; Laura A.; Sarah B., and Curtis F. E. Mrs. McCollough died, July 5, 1886, respected and esteemed by all who knew her. Aside from his various interests in this community, Mr. McCollough has large land interests in Chesterfield county, Virginia. He is a Republican in politics, and is recognized as a prosperous and progressive citizen.

Peter McCollough, son of William and Elizabeth (Rumbaugh) McCollough, was born April 10, 1835, upon the homestead in Fairview township. He was reared to farm life and attended the district school of his neighborhood during boyhood. On October 30, 1857, he married Anna Margaret, a daughter of Jacob and Catherine Daubenspeck. She was born in Washington township, Butler county, April 19, 1838, and is the mother of eight children, as follows: Catherine E., born August 8, 1857, died February 23, 1861; Rheuemma, wife of R. R. McDermott, of Fairview township; Henry C., a resident of Oakland township; Newton C., a graduate of Grove City College and now county superintendent of schools; Euphema, a graduate of Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio,

wife of John Steindorf, of Madison, Kansas; Clara M., a graduate of the State Normal School, at Centreville; Jacob D., and Jessie Olivia. The family are connected with the English Lutheran church, of Millerstown, of which Mr. McCollough fills the office of deacon. He is a member of Millerstown Lodge, Number 457, K. of P., and is a leading citizen of the community. He located on his present farm immediately after marriage, renting it from his father, and has resided upon the same up to the present. He has been quite successful in the accumulation of real estate, and is the owner of much valuable lands in different sections of the county. Politically, he is a Republican, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs.

Henry C. McCollough was born in Fairview township, November 7, 1860, son of Peter and Anna M. (Daubenspeck) McCollough. He is the eldest son in a family of eight children, was reared on the homestead and attended the common schools of his district. On September 24, 1885, he married Lena Miller, a daughter of Franklin and Elizabeth (Elliott) Miller. She is the second in a family of five children, was born in Clarion county, and came with her parents to Butler county in childhood. Her parents are now residing in the borough of Butler. One son, Clarence Campbell, has been born to this union. Mr. McCollough has a well improved farm of 123 acres, with substantial and commodious buildings, and is recognized as one of the progressive farmers of the township. In politics, he is a Republican. His wife is a member of the Presbyterian church, and the family are highly respected in the community.

Daniel L. Kamerer, one of the oldest living citizens of Fairview township, Butler county, was born in Armstrong county, July 23 1811. His parents, Peter and Elizabeth (Bush) Kamerer, were natives of Westmoreland county, and removed to Armstrong county about 1806, where the mother died, leaving a family of six children, viz.: Adam; Daniel L.; Hannah, who married Henry Shakely, and lives in Perry township, Armstrong county; Catherine, who married Philip Barnhart; Elizabeth, who became the wife of William Rumbaugh, and Sarah Ann, second wife of Philip Barnhart. Peter Kamerer married a second time, but had no children by this union. He died in Butler county, March 7, 1860. Daniel L. was reared amidst the scenes of pioneer life, when the coarse homespun clothing, the product of the frugal housewife's labor upon the little home loom, was the only kind in use, and when the hatter and shoemaker came around once a year to manufacture the hats and shoes for the settler's family. During his earlier years he labored many a day in the harvest field, cutting the grain with a sickle, and afterwards threshed the same with a flail. Mr. Kamerer was married October 15, 1833, to Anna Harriet Daubenspeck, a daughter of Philip Daubenspeck, born in Butler county, February 16, 1812. In 1854 Mr. Kamerer came to Butler county and located upon the farm where he now resides. It was then covered with an unbroken forest, but he went bravely to work to make a home for himself and family. He brought the first threshing machine into this section of the county and operated it a number of years. "Uncle Dan", as he is familiarly known, and his worthy wife still reside upon their original homestead in Fairview township, and are both in the enjoyment of good health and quite active for people of their years. They are the parents of

thirteen children, as follows: Peter, born June 3, 1835, who resides in Butler; Margaret Ann, August 31, 1836, wife of M. Myers, of Armstrong county; John, November 17, 1837, a resident of Concord township; Mary Ann, March 27, 1839, wife of J. C. McCollough; Elizabeth, May 27, 1840, married R. J. McCollough, and died November 16, 1883; George D., December 8, 1841, a resident of Butler; William, December 17, 1843, died March 28, 1892; Adam, February 2, 1845, who resides in Butler; Catherine, June 7, 1846, wife of S. W. McCollough; Lavina, January 2, 1848, wife of R. J. McCollough; Lewis, October 7, 1849, a resident of Greenville, Mercer county; Hannah, February 10, 1851, wife of Gilton Myers, of Armstrong county, and Samuel H.

Samuel H. Kamerer was born in Armstrong county, January 25, 1853, and is the youngest child of Daniel and Anna Harriet Kamerer. He was but one year old when his parents located in Fairview township, and here he was reared and educated. On November 29, 1882, he married Nina Hinton, a daughter of Charles Hinton, of Erie county, and they located on their present farm in Fairview township. They have a family of three children, viz.: Ethel L.; Obed G., and Edna B. Besides his farming interests, Mr. Kamerer is also actively engaged in oil producing, having five good wells upon his farm. He is quite an ardent Republican, and gives his earnest support to the principles and measures of that party. He has filled the office of school director and has been treasurer four years. The family are adherents of the Lutheran church.

Patrick McLaughlin, a native of Donegal county, Ireland, where he married Nancy Dougherty, came to Pennsylvania about the year 1780, and in the last decade of the Eighteenth century located on 400 acres of land in what is now Fairview township, originally Donegal. He erected a log cabin and began clearing and improving his new home. The family was among the first to settle in this part of the county. Mr. McLaughlin resided upon his homestead down to his death, in 1830, at the advanced age of eighty-five years. His widow survived him about ten years, dying at the age of ninety. They reared a family of six sons and one daughter, as follows: Sarah, who married Michael Sweeney; Peter, who served in the War of 1812; John; William; James, who was a engineer on the Pennsylvania canal; Patrick, and Bernard, all of whom are dead. The family were among the founders of St. Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek, in which faith the parents lived and died.

John McLaughlin, son of Patrick and Nancy McLaughlin, was born in the old log cabin on his father's farm, in Fairview township, Butler county, April 14, 1798. He grew to maturity upon this farm, endured the privations and trials of pioneer life, and was schooled in the dangers of that period. He remained with his parents until his majority, and then married Catherine Green, a native of Slippery Rock township, Butler county, born in 1800. She was a daughter of James Green, one of the pioneers of that locality. Immediately following their marriage the young couple settled upon 100 acres of the McLaughlin homestead. The land was entirely unimproved, but before his death Mr. McLaughlin had cleared off the forest and brought the farm to a high state of cultivation. They took an active interest in the advancement and improvement of the community, and both spent their entire lives in Butler county. They were members of St.

Patrick's Catholic church, at Sugar Creek. Mr. McLaughlin died at his home, April 13, 1872. His widow continued to reside there with her son Henry until her death, November 5, 1875. They were the parents of eight children, as follows: Jane, deceased; Rosanna, deceased wife of Timothy McKeever; James; William, who went to Illinois when a young man, enlisted in the Seventy-eighth Illinois Volunteers, in 1861, was promoted to the position of trainmaster, served in that capacity until the close of the war, and died in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, July 23, 1892; Daniel G.; Henry A.; Sarah, deceased, and David, deceased.

Daniel G. McLaughlin, son of John and Catherine McLaughlin, was born in Fairview township, May 16, 1838, and remained with his parents until of age. On June 16, 1863, he married Eleanor L. Boyle, a daughter of Hugh and Susan (McKeever) Boyle, born in Armstrong county, November 11, 1838. They resided upon a portion of the old homestead until 1868, and then settled on their present farm. They are the parents of eight children, six of whom are living, viz.: Rosanna; Sylvester Raymond; Jerome A.; David P.; Hugh Leo, and Alice. The family are members of the Catholic congregation, at Millerstown. Politically, Mr. McLaughlin is a Democrat, and has held various township offices. He devotes his attention to farming and oil producing.

William W. Wallace, gauger at Karns City, was born in Butler county, June 22, 1847, upon the homestead entered by his grandfather, Robert Wallace, in Fairview township. His father, Thomas Wallace, was born upon this place in 1799, married Margaret Hilliard, also a native of the county, and resided here until 1863, when they removed to Brady's Bend, where Mr. Wallace died in January, 1881. His widow still lives there at the age of eighty years. The subject of this sketch is the sixth in a family of thirteen children. He received a common school education, and at the age of fourteen years went to Pittsburg, and found employment in the iron mills of that city, in which he worked for eight years. He afterwards spent some years in clerking in a store at Parker. In 1871 he engaged as gauger with the National Transit Company, and is also an oil producer. Mr. Wallace was married December 14, 1875, to Alice J., a daughter of John and E. D. Shriver, of Forest county. She died September 21, 1882, leaving three children, viz.: Ida D.; Charles C., and Maggie A. He was again married, January 15, 1884, to Minerva, a daughter of Josiah and Rachel Brown. She was born in Fairview township, and is the mother of two children: Edgar Lewis, and Florella Alberta. Mr. Wallace is a Republican, and has served in the council and on the school board of Karns City. He is connected with the Masonic order, and is a member of Derrick Lodge, K. of P., also of the I. O. O. F.

John Ray was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1798. His father, William Ray, a native of Ireland, came to Butler county in 1800, and settled about two miles west of the village of Fairview, where he entered a tract of 400 acres of government land. He was one of the first settlers of that vicinity, and resided upon his farm down to his death. He had a family of five children, John being the eldest. The latter grew to maturity upon the homstead farm, and was married in 1825 to Ann Smith, a daughter of Matthew and Nancy

(Hindman) Smith. Her father was a native of Ireland, and settled two miles east of the site of Fairview, at an early day. After their marriage, John Ray and wife took up their home on a portion of the Ray homestead, cleared and improved the same and spent the remaining years of their lives thereon. Mrs. Ray died in 1850, and her husband in 1876. He was for many years a member of Bear Creek church. They were the parents of seven children, six of whom grew to maturity, viz.: William, a resident of Oregon; Nancy, wife of Samuel Donaldson, of Concord township; Matthew S., of Fairview; Elizabeth, wife of P. B. Kelchner; John C., of Fairview, and Robert, deceased.

Matthew S. Ray was born upon the homestead farm in Fairview township, June 7, 1830. He assisted his father in clearing the land, and his mother in preparing the flax and wool from which she manufactured clothing for the family. His education consisted of a few weeks' attendance at the subscription schools during the winter season. When nineteen years of age he began an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, receiving two dollars per month during the first few months of his service, which lasted three years. He afterwards engaged in business for himself as a contractor and builder, and erected many of the houses and barns yet standing in this locality. In January, 1854, he married Euphema Campbell, a daughter of Archibald Campbell. Three children were born to this union, two of whom are living, viz.: Ophelia J., wife of William Fleming, of Oil City, and Anna M. In April, 1854, Mr. Ray removed to the village of Fairview, and is to-day one of its oldest residents. The family belong to the Presbyterian church, and he is an elder in the Fairview society. Politically, he has always been a stanch Republican, was elected a justice of the peace in 1855, and, with the exception of one term, has served continuously up to the present. He has also held various other positions in the township and borough. He is a charter member of Liberty Lodge, K. of H., of which he has been reporter for many years.

John C. Ray, son of John and Ann (Smith) Ray, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, January 30, 1836, and spent his boyhood days upon the farm with his parents. On November 21, 1861, he married Tirza McConnell, a daughter of John B. McConnell, an early settler of Parker township. They located on their present homestead, a portion of the Ray tract, containing 145 acres of well improved land. Mr. Ray is one of the leading farmers of the township, and his improvements are among the best in the locality. He has had fine oil production on his farm, and is prosperous and progressive. Mr. Ray and wife are the parents of four children, as follows: Anna, wife of R. E. English; Emma; Charles, deceased, and Daisy. The family are members of the United Presbyterian church, at Fairview, in which he served as elder and trustee for many years, and is at present clerk of the session. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, has served twenty years on the school board, and twenty-five years as overseer of the poor. Mr. Ray is one of the representative and enterprising citizens of his native township.

Paul McDermott, a native of Donegal county, Ireland, came to Pennsylvania, and settled in Westmoreland county, where he married Margaret Christie. About 1796 they came to Fairview township, Butler county, purchased 500

acres of land, erected a cabin near the site of Karns City, and commenced the life of pioneers. Both spent the remainder of their lives upon this property. Mrs. McDermott died in 1830, and her husband, in 1841, the latter living to the advanced age of ninety-three years. They were the parents of seven children, five of whom grew up, viz.: Edward; Mary, who married James McElwee; Robert; James, and Paul.

Robert McDermott, son of Paul and Margaret McDermott, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, May 31, 1798, and was reared upon the homestead near Karns City. During the War of 1812 he ran away from home to enter the service, but was rejected on account of his youth. He afterwards become a captain in an early militia company and took a deep interest in military affairs. He was a great hunter and a splendid rifle shot, and many a bear, deer, etc., fell a victim to his unerring aim. In 1823 he married Jane Wilson, a daughter of William Wilson, who bore him a family of five children, as follows: Mary Ann, who married George Emerick; William; Jane, who married James Ray; Margaret, and Nancy, all of whom are dead. Mrs. McDermott died after some years of married life, and on February 4, 1841, he married Fannie Martin, a native of Fairview township, born February 14, 1818, and a daughter of Robert and Emily Martin, early settlers of this locality. They took up their residence on the old homestead, in a little log cabin built in 1823, which is still standing and in a good state of preservation. Mrs. McDermott often clipped wool from the sheep, and carded, spun and wove the same into clothing for her family. She is the mother of eleven children, ten of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, as follows: Emily, wife of D. McLaughlin; Sarah, who died in 1880; Alvira, wife of M. Banks; James P.; Edward; Robert Ross; Anita F., who died in 1881; Minerva, wife of F. G. Brown; Ida, and John C. Mr. McDermott died February 22, 1877. He was a member of Fairview United Presbyterian church, an active Democrat, and held various official positions. He was one of the early school teachers of the county, and a thoroughly progressive, enterprising citizen. His worthy wife still survives and resides upon the old homestead. She too was a teacher in the public schools. In May, 1837, she joined the Fairview United Presbyterian church, and is still a member of that society. Although well advanced in years she possesses a remarkably clear memory, and can relate many incidents of pioneer days and trials.

Robert Ross McDermott, son of Robert and Fanny McDermott, was born on the farm where he now resides, June 9, 1851, and was reared in his native township. He early became interested in the oil industry, and has followed that business very successfully. In 1884 he purchased the old homestead. On September 9, 1880, he married Rheuemma McCollough, a daughter of Peter McCollough, of Fairview township. He is an ardent Democrat, and has filled various township offices. Mr. McDermott is a member of Derrick Lodge, Number 456, K. of P., of Karns City, and is recognized as one of the enterprising and progressive farmers of his township.

William Wilson, Sr., a native of Ireland, came with his wife and family to Pennsylvania after the Revolutionary war, and settled in Lancaster county. In the year 1800 he journeyed across the mountains to Butler county, and pur-

chased a tract of 400 acres of wild land from a man named Hall, in what is now Fairview township, the consideration being $150. He cleared a small space, erected a log cabin twelve feet square, where the town of Petrolia now stands, and there this pioneer family took up their abode, being among the first settlers of this part of the county. Their nearest and most numerous neighbors were the wild animals that roamed through the forest and surrounded the cabin at night. Greensburg was the nearest trading point, the trip to that town requiring two weeks to make. Some years later Mr. Wilson erected a log dwelling half a mile west of his first location, where both he and wife spent the remainder of their lives. He died August 31, 1839, aged eighty-six. Mrs. Wilson died April 5, 1838, aged eighty-three years. They were the parents of eight children, all of whom are dead, as follows: Robert; William; Jane, who married Robert McDermott; Nancy, who married Edward McDermott; James; Armstrong; John, and Thomas.

James Wilson, son of William Wilson, Sr., was born in Lancaster county, April 6, 1798, and was but two years old when his parents settled in Butler county. His mother made the trip on horseback, and carried him in her arms the greater part of the way. He grew to maturity in the new country, surrounded by privations and enjoying the limited advantages which fell to the lot of the youth of that period. In 1828 he married Sarah Hutcheson, a native of Westmoreland county, born September 22, 1798, a daughter of William Hutcheson, one of the early settlers of Parker township. Having learned the tanner's trade in boyhood, Mr. Wilson located in Lawrenceburg after his marriage, where he engaged in the tanning business, but later settled on a farm in Parker township. In 1843 they took up their residence on a portion of the Wilson homestead, in Fairview township, where Mrs. Wilson died, August 10, 1886, and her husband, September 1, following, their deaths occurring only a few weeks apart. Both were members of the United Presbyterian church, of Fairview, in which he filled the office of elder for several years. They were the parents of the following children: Margaret W., wife of John Jameson; William; Eleanor J., deceased wife of George H. Graham; Martha, deceased wife of William Gibson, and James A. of Fairview township. Mr. Wilson was a Democrat until the organization of the Republican party, when he espoused its principles and continued to support that organization until his death. He filled various township positions of trust during his residence therein, and was one of the respected pioneers of the community.

William Wilson, eldest son of James and Sarah Wilson, was born in Lawrenceburg, December 7, 1831, came to Butler county with his parents and grew to maturity under the parental roof. His educational advantages were such as the early schools afforded, which he attended during the winter season for a few weeks each year. Until his fifteenth year his clothing consisted of the coarse homespun of the period. After reaching his maturity he commenced working out at ten dollars a month, later engaged at the carpenter's trade, and followed that business as a journeyman for twelve years. He resided some years in Oil City, and was engaged in the oil industry. In 1872 he returned to Petrolia, and conducted the home farm for his father. He now owns 121 acres

of the original tract, upon which he resides, and devotes his attention to agricultural pursuits. Mr. Wilson was married, December 31, 1862, to Lucinda Shell, a native of Clarion county, who died in Oil City, in 1865. He was again married, October 25, 1883, to Emma M. Gilfillan, a daughter of James G. and Mary A. Gilfillan, a pioneer family of Mercer county. They have an adopted son, Willie LeRoy, aged six years. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are members of the United Presbyterian church, of Fairview, in which he has served as trustee. He has always been a Republican, and enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, August 9, 1862. He served in the Army of the Potomac, participated in the battles of Antietam, Chancellorsville, and the Virginia campaign, and was honorably discharged on June 3, 1863.

James Armstrong Wilson, son of James and Sarah Wilson, was born upon the Wilson homestead in Fairview township, Butler county, December 25, 1839, spent his boyhood days upon the farm and received a common school education in the little log school house of the neighborhood. On June 16, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered into service at Harrisburg. His regiment joined the Army of the Potomac, and he participated in the battles of Seven Pines, Fair Oaks, Harrison's Landing, and Malvern Hill, and followed his regiment through all the varying fortunes of war, in the battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Cold Harbor, etc. He was twice wounded, once in a skirmish at Salem Church, and again in the Wilderness. He was taken prisoner before Petersburg, was sent to Belle Island and thence to Andersonville, where he was confined six months. He was then exchanged and returned home on furlough, where he was ill for three months. After recovering he joined his regiment, but the Confederacy had crumbled away, Lee had surrendered and the war was over. He was honorably discharged July 5, 1865, after participating with his regiment in the grand review at Washington. Returning to his home Mr. Wilson engaged in farming, which vocation he has followed up to the present. In February, 1873, he married Martha McGarvey, a daughter of William McGarvey, of Fairview township. Two children were born to this union, viz.: Robert N., and Maggie May. In 1878 Mr. Wilson located upon his present homestead at Fairview, a portion of the tract entered by his grandfather. In 1884 he erected a substantial residence, one of the most commodious farm houses in the township. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Wilson is superintendent of the Sabbath school, while his wife takes an active interest in woman's work. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, is a member of the borough council and school board, and also fills the office of assessor. He is a member of the Union Veteran Legion at Butler, and is one of the patriotic citizens of the community.

Isaac Reep, Sr., was born upon the site of Philadelphia, and when a lad of ten years of age carried supplies to the soldiers in the Continental army, in which his father was serving. He grew to manhood upon the homestead farm, married a Miss Bash, and in 1801 came to Butler county, making the journey in a wagon, and entered a tract of 400 acres of land on the line of Fairview and Parker townships. It was covered with an unbroken forest, in the midst of which he built a cabin and began the work of making a home. Mr. and Mrs. Reep reared a family

of five children, and resided upon their original settlement the balance of their lives.

Isaac Reep, son of Isaac Reep, Sr., was born near Philadelphia, in 1787, and came to Butler county with his parents when fourteen years of age. He grew to maturity here, and served in the War of 1812. He married Mary Pontius, a native of eastern Pennsylvania, and settled on a portion of the Reep homestead, near the village of Fairview, where both he and wife resided until death. Mr. Reep died July 2, 1863, and his wife, March 9, 1880, aged eighty-three years. They were members of the Evangelical Lutheran church, and the parents of thirteen children, only three of whom are now living. The names of their children are as follows: Elizabeth; John; Isaac; Gabriel; Samuel; William; Mary; Jacob; Henry; Lewis; Eli; Catherine, and Solomon. Of these William, Eli and Catherine survive.

Eli Reep, son of Isaac and Mary Reep, was born upon the homestead in Fairview township, June 14, 1832. He was reared upon the farm, assisting his father in the home duties, and obtaining a meager education in the subscription school of the neighborhood, to which he was compelled to walk three miles through the forest. He was afterwards engaged on Oil creek in drilling and operating. He was married, August 22, 1861, to Mary J. Benninghoff, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Benninghoff, of Venango county, where she was born July 24, 1839. They settled on a part of the Reep homestead, where they lived until September, 1884, and then removed to Fairview borough. Mr. Reep still owns 130 acres of the tract entered by his grandfather, on which there are two producing oil wells. Of their six children, four are living, viz.: John W.; Eli E.; Etta A., and Achsah J. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Though formerly a Republican, Mr. Reep is now a Prohibitionist; has served three years as borough assessor, and has also been a member of the borough council. He has always been active in church affairs, and has served many years as steward, trustee and class leader.

Alexander Baird Storey was born September 1, 1806. His parents, James and Hannah (Baird) Storey, were natives of Ireland and pioneers of Fairview township, Butler county, settling upon a tract of unimproved land near the site of Karns City. James Storey was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died March 17, 1815. He was the father of four sons and one daughter, all deceased but Thomas, of Worthington, Pennsylvania. The subject of this sketch married Juliet Campbell, who was born in Fairview township, November 14, 1820. They resided some time at Brady's Bend, but returned to Fairview township about 1849 and spent the remaining years of their lives upon a farm in this township. Mr. Storey died June 6, 1882, and his wife, January 2, 1881. They reared a family of eight children, as follows: William C., of Brady's Bend; James B., who enlisted in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in 1861, re-enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, was twice wounded at Petersburg, losing his left hand thereby, was discharged from service, took a course at Iron City Commercial College, served one term as sheriff of Butler county, and was subsequently appointed to a position in the auditor general's office, where he was serving at the time of his death,

October 28, 1889; Hannah J., wife of J. L. Shaner, of Clarion county; Alexander W., a druggist of North Clarendon; Townsend R.; Juliet A., deceased; Almira M., wife of J. S. Jamison, of Armstrong county, and Edna C., wife of D. H. Wheeler, of Fairview township.

Townsend R. Storey was born in Fairview township, Butler county, June 24, 1850, son of Alexander Baird and Juliet Storey. He grew to maturity upon his father's farm, and in 1875 engaged as a pumper and soon afterwards embarked in oil producing. In 1888 he went into the drug business at Edenburg, Clarion county, and in 1892 located at Karns City, where he established and has since carried on the same business. Mr. Storey was married March 15, 1881, to Elizabeth O., a daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Storey, of Parker township. They have one daughter, Juliet Elizabeth. He is a Republican in politics, and has served as a member of the borough council. He is a prominent member of Karns City Lodge, Number 931, I. O. O. F., and of Derrick Lodge, Number 456, K. of P.

David Rankin, a native of Ireland, immigrated to Pennsylvania at an early day and settled on 200 acres of land in what is now Fairview township, Butler county, which he cleared and improved. He married Elizabeth Wallace, a daughter of JohnWallace. She was born in Ireland and came with her parents to Maryland when a girl, whence the family removed to Butler county in 1806, and settled in what is now Fairview township. Mr. Rankin carried on a distillery upon his farm for some years, and died March 15, 1813. His widow survived him more than half a century, dying in April, 1869. They were the parents of four children, named as follows: William; Jane, deceased wife of Josiah Sommerville; Joseph, and David C.

David C. Rankin, the only surviving child of David Rankin, was born upon his father's farm in Fairview township, March 19, 1813, a few days after the death of his father. He grew up under the care of his widowed mother, and enjoyed the limited advantages of pioneer days. In September, 1835, he married Nancy Moore, a daughter of Andrew and Annie (Storey) Moore, who was born in Butler county, September 27, 1817. They lived for some years upon the old homestead, and then removed to the western part of the township, locating upon their present farm, near the village of Fairview, in the spring of 1878. Mr. Rankin and wife are the parents of sixteen children, six of whom are living, and are among the oldest citizens of the township. They are members of the United Presbyterian church. He has been a Republican since the formation of that party, and has filled various township offices.

Benjamin S. Rankin, son of David C. and Nancy Rankin, was born near Karns City, December 9, 1842, grew to manhood with his parents and received a common school education. On October 2, 1861, when but eighteen years of age, he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served in the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the Peninsular campaign, and in the battles of Williamsburg, the Seven Days fight before Richmond, on the Chickahominy, at Malvern Hill, etc. In September, 1863, under general orders from the war department, he enlisted in Company L, Fourth United States Artillery, was stationed at Suffolk and Yorktown on garrison duty,

and served with Grant at Cold Harbor and the siege of Petersburg. He was honorably discharged on November 13, 1864, and returned to his home. Mr. Rankin was married May 20, 1868, to Melinda Wick, a daughter of William and Sarah Wick, born in Concord township, May 12, 1849. They settled in Fairview township, and removed to their present farm near the village of Fairview in 1878. Six children have been the fruits of this marriage, as follows: Charles H.; Minnie A., deceased; an infant daughter, deceased; Sadie N.; Amy E., and Gurdon C. The family are connected with the English Lutheran church. Mr. Rankin is a stanch Republican, and has filled various township offices. He is a member of Karns City Lodge, I. O. O. F., also of Derrick Lodge, K. of P., and is connected with the G. A. R.

William Rankin, eldest son of David Rankin, was born in what is now Fairview township, Butler county, Februay 14, 1808. His father died when William was five years old, and he was reared by David McKibbin of Clarion county. He there married Sarah Levier, and returned to Butler county, settling in Allegheny township. Five children were born to this union, viz.: David M., a Presbyterian minister; Daniel L., of Butler; Rosa S., wife of G. W. Aggas; Elizabeth A., wife of S. H. Brown, and Josiah R., a Methodist Episcopal preacher. The parents spent the latter years of their lives in Fairview township. In early life they were Presbyterians, but died members of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Rankin died August 18, 1882, and her husband, September 26, 1883.

Daniel L. Rankin, second son of William and Sarah Rankin, was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, September 11, 1839, was reared a farmer and obtained a common school education. He remained on the homestead farm until August, 1861, when he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until January, 1864. He then veteranized, re-enlisting in the same company, and served until mustered out, July 13, 1865, with the rank of orderly sergeant. He participated in the battles of Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Seven Days Fight before Richmond, and Kingston, White Hall and Goldsboro. Besides the battles already mentioned, he took part in many lesser engagements and skirmishes. He was taken prisoner at Plymouth, North Carolina, April 20, 1864, and was held in rebel prisons until December 10, following, when he was paroled. He came home on furlough, and was married January 3, 1865, to Maggie Rider a daughter of Michael Rider. They are the parents of five children, viz.: Olive L., wife of Sherman Sanderson; William J.; Elnora A.; Sadie N., and Herbert E. Mr. Rankin and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He is an ardent Republican, has always taken an active interest in public affairs, and was a candidate for county treasurer in 1893, but did not receive the nomination.

James Gibson, a native of Ireland, with his brothers, Alexander, John and Hugh, came from Westmoreland county to Butler county in 1797, where they had selected lands the previous near, in what is now Parker township. Their father, Levi Gibson, came with them. James married Rebecca Knox, a native of Scotland, and after some years residence in Parker township, they removed to Armstrong county, where both died. They were the parents of eleven children, as follows: Elizabeth, who married Robert Campbell; Levi; Sidney, who mar-

ried Samuel Campbell; George; Esther, who became the wife of William Hutchinson; Samuel; John; Eleanor, who married E. Wally; Houston; Rebecca, who married Solomon Gibbs, and James.

Levi Gibson, eldest son of James and Rebecca Gibson, was born in Parker township, Butler county, September 20, 1804, and was reared beneath the parental roof. In 1832 he married Mary Ann Campbell, born February 20, 1809, and they took up their residence in a log cabin in Parker township. They resided in this township until their death, which occurred in 1867 and 1862, respectively. They were the parents of eight children, viz.: Rebecca J., wife of Sloan Cochran; Lewis C.; William; Nancy, wife of Alexander Wally; James H.; Andrew C.; Mary Ann, and Levi B., the two last mentioned being dead.

William Gibson, third child of Levi and Mary Ann Gibson, was born upon the homestead farm in Parker township, April 14, 1836, and there grew to manhood. He learned the carpenter's trade in early life, and followed it for some years. On November 4, 1858, he married Martha, a daughter of James Wilson, and located upon a farm now within the borough limits of Petrolia, which he operated and also worked at his trade. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company L, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served in the Army of the Potomac under Sheridan, taking part in the Shenandoah campaign. He was assigned to duty in the quartermaster's department and remained there until July, 1865, when he was honorably discharged. Mrs. Gibson died January 16, 1886, the mother of the following children: Alfred L., deceased; James A.; William A.; Anna M. J., deceased; Ira C.; George G., deceased, and Sarah May. Mr. Gibson was again married June 14, 1887, to Nancy McGarvey, a daughter of William McGarvey. Her father was born in Donegal county, Ireland, July 17, 1800, came to the United States in 1830, and located in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania. In 1835 he married Margaret Smith, who was born in Butler county, May 23, 1805, to which union were born six children. Mrs. McGarvey died December 19, 1876, and her husband, March 10, 1885. Mr. Gibson resided in Petrolia until 1888. In 1882 he was appointed postmaster of the borough, and served for four years, and was also burgess and justice of the peace for many years. In 1888 he took up his residence in Fairview borough, and in 1891 he was appointed oil inspector for Butler county. He and his wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, of Fairview. He is connected with J. G. Campbell Post, G. A. R., of Petrolia, of which he has been treasurer for many years.

William Fleming, a native of Armagh county, Ireland, was married in his native land to Elizabeth Bartley, a native of Tyrone county. In 1798, with his wife and two children, he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Allegheny county, on Pine run. In 1808 he removed with his family to Butler county, entering a tract of government land on Bear Creek, near where the village of Martinsburg now stands. They were among the first settlers of that locality. Mr. Fleming and wife were members of the Covenanter church, in which body he filled the office of elder. In 1834 he severed his connection with that organization and became a citizen of the United States. He was a prosperous farmer,

and at one time owned 600 acres of land in Parker township. He died in that township, July 19, 1847, in his eighty-fifth year. His widow survived him until May 15, 1851, dying at the age of seventy-two years. They were the parents of the following children: Edward; Hugh; John; William D.; Thomas; Robert; Johanna, who married James Jamison; Jane, who married Charles Roberts; Eleanor, who became the wife of William Bartley; Jowanna, wife of John Campbell, and Mary, who died unmarried.

Edward Fleming, eldest son of William and Elizabeth Fleming, was born in Ireland, October 8, 1798, came to America with his parents in infancy, and grew to manhood in Butler county, amidst the dangers and privations of pioneer life. At the age of sixteen years he went to Pittsburg, where he learned the bricklayer's trade, returning to Butler county in 1820. He was married that year to Margaret Kelly, a daughter of Archibald and Margaret Kelly, early settlers of Parker township, where she was born, June 17, 1803. Mr. Fleming and wife resided in Parker township until their death, which occurred July 7, 1847, and May 28, 1874, respectively. Both were members of the United Presbyterian church, of Fairview. They were the parents of the following children: Elizabeth, deceased; Margaret, wife of Andrew Graham, of Concord township; William A., of Petrolia; Martha J., wife of William Daubenspeck, of Parker township; Thomas S., of the same township; Mary, wife of S. S. Reep, of Fairview township; Johanna, deceased wife of John Crawford; Caroline, wife of Lewis Gibson, of Parker township; John E., of Oakland township, and Archibald, who died in infancy.

William A. Fleming, eldest son of Edward and Margaret Fleming, was born in Parker township, June 23, 1826. He was reared upon his father's farm, and attended the subscription school of the period for a few weeks during the winter seasons. At the age of seventeen years he commenced life for himself as a farm laborer, at ten dollars per month. When twenty-one years of age he returned home to assist his widowed mother in carrying on the homestead farm, and remained with her for the ensuing three years. On December 28, 1848, he married Nancy Jane Graham, of Parker township, born in Venango county, August 25, 1830, and a daughter of John Graham. They settled upon a farm in Parker township, but later removed to Maple Furnace, where he spent eleven years in the employ of M. S. Adams. He afterwards located at Brady's Bend, and filled the office of market house clerk for six years. At the expiration of this time he returned to his farm in Butler county, removed to Petrolia in 1879, and has since resided in that borough. Mrs. Fleming died December 6, 1892. She was a consistent member of the Merhodist Episcopal church for fifty-four years, having joined that organization when eight years of age. She was the mother of six children, viz.: Margaret J., deceased; Edward G., of Petrolia; Flora M., wife of S. G. Coffin, of Bradford; and John W., Clara J., and George H., all of whom died in early youth. In 1890 Mr. Fleming was elected justice of the peace, and in 1891 was chosen burgess, which position he still occupies. He is connected with Oil City Lodge, F. & A. M., and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has served as class leader forty-four years.

Samuel Graham was a native of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and a veteran of the Revolution, who settled near Carlisle at the close of the war. The ancestry came from Ireland about 1700, and settled in Cumberland county. Samuel was reared in that county, and in 1797 came to Butler county and purchased a tract of 200 acres in what is now Allegheny township, upon which he built a small cabin. The following year he brought his family to his new home in the forest of Butler county, where they began pioneer life. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died at Meadville, in 1813, while in the service. His wife was Nancy Jane Graham, and they were the parents of the following children: Nancy, who married John Forquer; Rebecca; John; James; Betsey, who became the wife of John Brandon; Andrew, and Bailey.

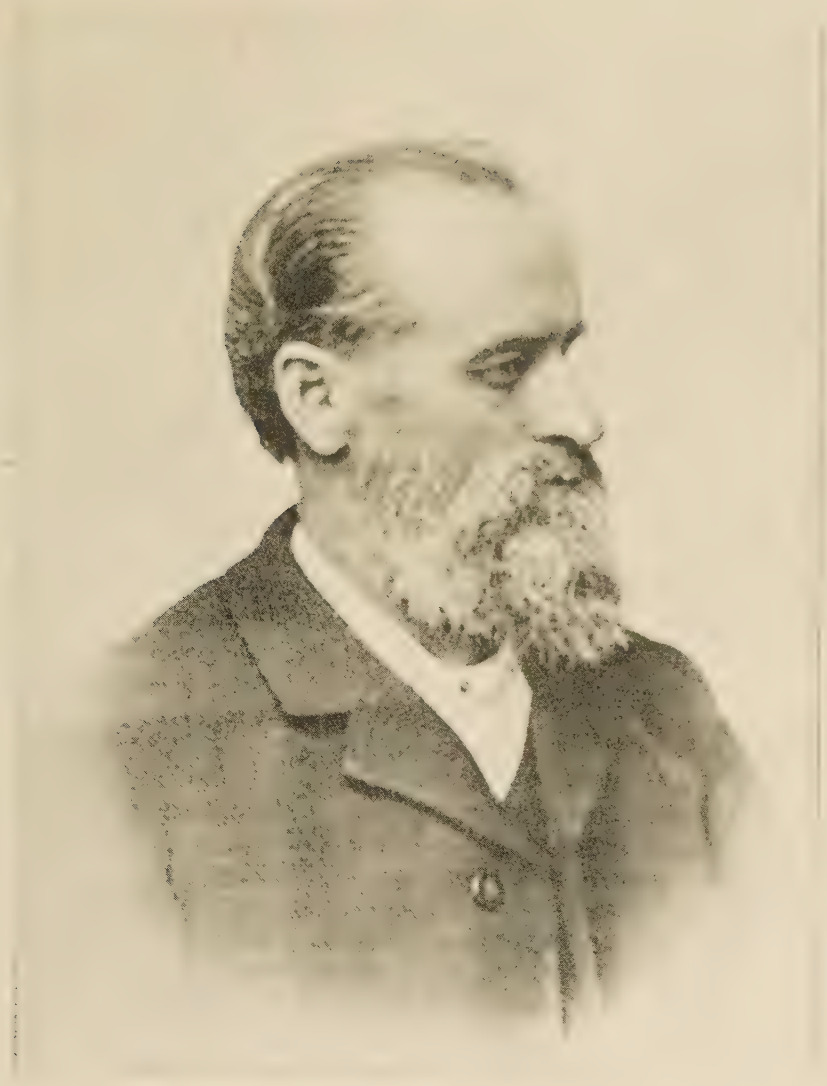
John Graham, eldest son of Samuel Graham, was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, May 1, 1800. After he grew to manhood he located at Franklin, Pennsylvania, where he was manager of an iron furnace, later removed to Parker township, Butler county, where he operated the iron mines for Maple furnace. He died in Parker township in 1856. He married Mary Hill, who survived him thirty-four years, dying in 1890. Their family consisted of the following children: Nancy J., deceased wife of William A. Fleming; Phœbe A., wife of George McMurray; George H., of Fairview; Florinda, wife of Edward Morgan; Mary, deceased wife of James Rankin; Ruth, wife of Thomas Alsworth; Adelaide, who married Reed Campbell, and for her second husband, William Herron, and Maggie, wife of Thomas Bartley, of West Virginia.

George H. Graham, only son of John and Mary Graham, was born in Franklin, Pennsylvania, March 1, 1833, and returned with his parents to Butler county at the age of eleven years. He obtained his primary education in the common schools, and afterwards attended Allegheny College, at Meadville. He then engaged in teaching, and taught at different periods from 1849 until 1870, being principal of the West Sunbury Academy for three years. He took up mine engineering, and is a practical mine engineer, as well as a surveyor. He has been engaged in mining and oil producing for some twenty years, but has made surveying his principal business. Politically, he is an ardent Democrat, was elected to the legislature in 1878, and has served as a jury commissioner of Butler county. He has filled the office of school director in Fairview borough for fifteen years, and that of burgess for five years. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was commissioned as regimental quartermaster, and later detailed as brigade quartermaster on General Paul's staff. He was at the battles of Antietam, South Mountain, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, and was discharged from the service in 1863, at the close of his term of enlistment. Mr. Graham married Ella J. Wilson, a daughter of James Wilson, of Fairview township, and has the following children: Clara, wife of J. C. McKee; Anna, a teacher in the schools of New Whatcome, Washington; John H.; James W., and Ada. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and Mr. Graham is connected with the J. G. Campbell Post, G. A. R., of Petrolia. Mr. Graham was initiated in 1880 a member of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M., and was W. M. and secretary of the lodge for four years each.

James Jameson was a son of John Jameson, who came from eastern Pennsylvania to Butler county at an early day, and entered a tract of land in Parker township. The family are of Scotch-Irish extraction, the ancestors coming to America prior to the Revolution. John Jameson was among the first settlers of Parker township, and reared a family of several sons and daughters, James being one of the number. The latter grew to maturity upon his father's farm, and married Jane Smith, a daughter of James Smith, also a pioneer of Parker township. Mrs. Jameson died upon the homestead in 1835, aged thirty-nine years. Her husband survived many years, and died at the home of his son Thomas, in Fairview township, in 1863, aged seventy-two. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Elizabeth, and John B., both deceased; Ann, deceased wife of William Carothers; James, deceased; Thomas; Margaret, wife of A. H. Carothers; Rachel, wife of James A. Patterson, and Hugh, deceased.

Thomas Jameson, son of James and Jane Jameson, was born in Parker township, Butler county, July 31, 1827. His mother died when he was seven years old, and he was taken into the home of Mrs. Margaret Cochran, of Venango township, with whom he lived until sixteen years of age, then returned to Parker township and worked by the day or month at whatever he could find to do. He subsequently went to Cherry township, and there engaged at the carpenter's trade, which he followed some years. In December, 1849, he married Polly Smith, of Cherry township, who died in 1851. In 1852 he was married to Nancy J. McElvain, a daughter of George and Mary A. McElvain, of the same township. They located on their present farm in Fairview township in March, 1859. Mr. Jameson purchased seventy-six acres, and their first residence was a small plank house, which has since been replaced by a large and commodious structure. Many other improvements have been made, and the farm increased to 240 acres. They are the parents of eleven children as follows: Almira, deceased; Sarah J., wife of J. H. Chatham; George M., of Pittsburg; William B., a practicing physician of Philadelphia; Ella, deceased; M. Alice; Alvin J., deceased; John S.; Emma Z.; Flora J., and Fred H. Mr. Jameson and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, of Fairview. He is an ardent Republican, takes a commendable interest in public affairs, and has served in the various township offices, and three years as a jury commissioner. Mr. Jameson is one of the substanial, representative farmers of Fairview township.

John Sutton was born in the year 1800, and was a son of Joseph and Sarah Sutton, natives of New Jersey, who came to Butler county at an early day and settled in what is now Concord township, where both resided down to their death. John was reared amidst pioneer surroundings, and endured the hardships and trials of that period. He married Mary Sutton, a daughter of Platt and Elizabeth Sutton, and settled upon a tract of land in what is now Concord township, where he resided for many years. He died in Parker township about 1860, and his wife at the home of her son, John, in Oil City, some years later. To them were born eight children, as follows: Joseph, deceased; Jeremiah, who resides in Parker township; Jonathan D., deceased; Eliza J., deceased wife of Joseph Rumbaugh; James J., of Fairview township; John, of Parker township;



Thomas Jameson

Sarah Nancy, wife of Robert Morrow, of Warren county, and Mary, wife of David Montgomery, of Venango county.

James J. Sutton, son of John and Mary Sutton, was born in Concord township, Butler county, January 18, 1834. His boyhood days were passed upon his father's farm, and he obtained a limited education in the log school house of his district, which he attended for a few months in the winter seasons. When about ten years of age he removed with his parents to Armstrong county, lived there about nine years, and then returned to Butler county, where he attained his majority. On January 18, 1859, he married Harriet, a daughter of Matthew and Sarah Brown, born in Fairview township, March 11, 1837. Matthew Brown was a son of John Brown, a native of Ireland, who settled in what is now Fairview township at an early day. In 1861 Mr. Sutton located at Buena Vista, where he has since resided. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company B, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers. His company was assigned to service as a part of the First Division, Ninth Army Corps, of the Army of the Potomac. He served until the close of the war, was with his regiment in the grand review at Washington, and was honorably discharged in June, 1865. He returned to his home, and in 1870 was appointed the first postmaster of Peachville, serving in that capacity until 1888, since which time he has lived a retired life at Buena Vista. He owns a valuable farm of eighty-four acres in Fairview township, and is interested in oil producing. In politics, he is a stanch Republican, and has always taken an active interest in political matters. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton are members of Zion Lutheran church, in which body he has served as deacon and elder. They are the parents of one daughter, Leni Luemma, wife of W. D. Dart, of Buena Vista.

George King, one of the well known older citizens of Fairview township, was born in Armstrong county, May 3, 1820, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth King. His father was a native of Westmoreland county, came to Armstrong county with his parents, who settled at Brady's Bend, there married and afterwards served one term as sheriff of that county. At the age of eleven years George was bound out to a family for his board and clothing until his seventeenth year. He then worked by the month as a farm hand, receiving his board and clothes and eighteen dollars in cash for his first season's work. Thus he laid the foundation of an industry and economy which served him well in after years. On November 14, 1848, he married Magdalena Kamerer, a daughter of David and Catherine Kamerer, a native of Armstrong county, born May 24, 1831. They immediately settled upon the farm where they now reside, which was then comparatively unimproved, taking up their abode in a little log cabin surrounded by forest trees. Of the eight children born to them, seven grew to maturity, viz.: John H.; Daniel S.; Catherine A., wife of George Hiles; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Louis Kieffer; Jared D.; Margaret, wife of William Corbett, and Aaron A. Mr. King and wife are members of Oak Grove German Reformed church, and in politics, he was originally a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

Daniel S. King, second son of George and Magdalena King, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, March 31, 1852. At the age of sixteen years he went to Brady's Bend, and learned the butcher's trade with Joseph Hertweck.

who afterwards became his father-in-law, with whom he remained four years. In 1873 he came to Butler county, and in partnership with his brother, John H., engaged in the butchering business. He later became interested in the oil industry as a pumper, subsequently as a producer, and has now a good production. Mr. King was married November 9, 1880, to Annie Hertweck, a native of Butler. Her father, Joseph Hertweck, was born in Germany, October 27, 1833, immigrated to the United States, and October 28, 1854, was married at Butler to Philomina Geiser, also a native of Germany. They resided in Butler some years, thence removed to Brady's Bend, where Mr. Hertweck died September 12, 1888. Mr. and Mrs. King have had the following children: Charles Sylvester; Joseph George, deceased; Catherine C.; Cora Maude; Dora Ellen; William John, deceased, and Rose Emma, deceased. Mr. King is an active Republican, and he is connected with Millerstown Lodge, K. of P.

JOHN H. KING, eldest son of George and Magdalena King, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, January 21, 1850, and remained with his parents helping them to clear and improve the farm until he attained his majority. He then went to East Brady, and followed the bricklayer's trade four years. In 1873 he engaged in the butchering and meat business with his brother, Daniel S., and later embarked in the oil industry, as a pumper and producer, to which he still devotes his attention. On August 9, 1883, he married Maggie J., a daughter of Leonard and Christina Kaylor, of Armstrong county, where she was born October 28, 1863. Two children have been born to this union, one of whom is living, Lillie May. Mr. King is a stanch Republican, and is connected with Derrick Lodge, K. of P., at Karns City.

JOHN ELLENBERGER, a native of Armstrong county, married Elizabeth Fair, and resided for many years in his native county. He afterwards removed to Butler county, settling on a farm in Fairview township, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1881, aged eighty-one years. His widow died on the old homestead in Armstrong county, in 1891, aged eighty-nine years. They reared a family of seven sons and two daughters, of whom the following survive: Simon, of Armstrong county; William; John; Jacob, and Charles, all residents of Fairview township, and Enos, of Oakland township.

WILLIAM ELLENBERGER, son of John and Elizabeth Ellenberger, was born on the homestead in Armstrong county, December 25, 1826. His boyhood days were spent beneath the parental roof, and his education was obtained in the pioneer log school house of the neighborhood. In 1849 Mr. Ellenberger came to Butler county and located in Fairview township. On February 14, 1850, he married Harriet Reep, a native of Butler county, and a daughter of Henry and Fannie Reep. Her father came from eastern Pennsylvania to Butler county at an early day, and married here, his wife being a native of Armstrong county. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died upon his farm, one mile north of Fairview, September 9, 1859. His widow died August 19, 1871, in her seventy-sixth year. Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Ellenberger located on a farm in Fairview township. The land was comparatively unimproved, their first home being a little log cabin in which they lived for three years. They then removed to another farm near by, where they resided until 1892, and then located

in the village of Fairview. They are members of St. Peter's Reformed church, of Fairview, in which he fills the office of elder. Ten children have been born to them, as follows: Mary E., wife of Samuel T. Dodd; Jemima, wife of W. H. Reisinger; William J.; Henry Isaiah, deceased; Margaret E., wife of J. B. Bickey; Lucinda C., wife of William C. Hart; Fannie J., wife of J. Eberhardt; Adela Laura, wife of H. W. Hays; Chambers Austin, and Simon P., deceased. Though formerly a Republican, Mr. Ellenberger is now a Prohibitionist. He has served as overseer of the poor and is a member of the borough council. By industry and economy he has accumulated a handsome competence, and is recognized as one of the substantial citizens of the community.

Isaac Ellenberger, a son of John and Elizabeth Ellenberger, was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, August 12, 1821, and grew to maturity beneath the parental roof. In 1846 he married Elizabeth Reep, a native of Fairview township, born June 21, 1821. Her father, Henry Reep, married Fannie Utterman, and both he and wife died in Fairview township. The subject of this sketch located in Fairview township, near Buena Vista, after his marriage, but settled upon the farm where his widow now resides in 1853. Here he died on February 1, 1861. He was the father of six children, as follows: John Henry; Fanny, wife of Frederick Kamerer; Isaac, and Mary, both deceased; Amos W., and Walter J., deceased.

Amos W. Ellenberger, son of Isaac and Elizabeth Ellenberger, was born in Fairview township, June 16, 1856, and has spent his entire life in this community. He resides upon the old homestead farm and devotes his attention to agriculture, though he has also some oil production. Mr. Ellenberger was married June 15, 1882, to Emma D., a daughter of William and Rosa Lange, of Oakland township, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Mary E.; Walter; Blanche, deceased; Rosa C., and Minnie F. Politically, he is a stanch Republican.

Charles Swartzlander was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in June, 1822, son of Abraham and Elizabeth Swartzlander. When Charles was seven years old his parents removed to Armstrong county, making the trip in a covered wagon drawn by three horses, our subject walking much of the distance. His father purchased a claim in Armstrong county, upon which he subsequently settled, and both he and wife died there. Charles grew to maturity in that county amid the scenes and hardships of pioneer days, attending school in a little log building with the rudest furnishings of the period. When fourteen years of age he worked six months for fifty dollars. In 1843 he came to Butler county and worked at the carpenter's trade, having served an apprenticeship of two years at that business. On May 6, 1847, he married Phoebe Pontius, a daughter of Gabriel and Mary Pontius. She was born on the Pontius homestead in Donegal township, September 23, 1828, and is the mother of the following children: Harvey O.; Amos G., deceased; Samuel M.; William J., and Mary A. M., deceased. In politics, Mr. Swartzlander is a Republican. His wife is a member of the English Lutheran church, and the family are adherents of that faith. Their son, Harvey O., was born April 10, 1848, in Fairview township, and has

always followed the vocation of a farmer. He is a member of Karns City Lodge, I. O. O. F., which he joined September 9, 1876. Politically, he is an ardent Republican.

Isaac Kepple was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, December 22, 1817. His father, Lewis Kepple, removed from eastern Pennsylvania to Westmoreland county, in early manhood, and there married Christina Kline. Eleven children were born to this union, five of whom survive, viz.: John, a resident of Armstrong county; Isaac, of Butler county; Daniel, of Iowa; Jonathan, who resides in this county, and Mrs. Margaret Barnhart, of Oakland township. The subject of this sketch grew to maturity in his native county, assisting in the farm duties, wearing home-made clothing, and helping his mother to prepare the flax and wool from which the clothing for the family was made upon the home loom. He attended the subscription schools of his period, and shared the trials and hardships of pioneer days. When eighteen years of age his father died, and Isaac started out for himself, as a farm hand, receiving for his labor from forty to fifty cents per day. He later found employment upon the Pennsylvania canal, afterwards rented the old homestead in Westmoreland county, which he tilled for a number of years, and then purchased a farm of his own in that county. In 1848 Mr. Kepple sold his property, came to Butler county, and located upon his present farm in Fairview township, near Buena Vista. Here he has since resided, but has greatly improved the place during the passing years. Oil was found upon his farm in paying quantities, and at one time there were eleven producing wells upon it. He still has a good production from two independent wells. Mr. Kepple was married October 16, 1850, to Mary, a daughter of George and Catherine (Barnhart) Thorn, early settlers of Butler county. She was born in Fairview township, September 3, 1828, and is the mother of five children, viz.: Angeline; William; Winfield; Addison, and one who died in infancy. The family are members of the Reformed church, and in politics, Mr. Kepple is an ardent Republican.

William Heron, a farmer and producer, was born in Toronto, Ontario, May 17, 1837, son of Adam and Hannah (Ashberry) Heron, natives of Scotland and England, respectively. They were married in England, thence went to Canada and later came to Pennsylvania, where the father died and where the mother still resides. William began life for himself working upon a farm when twelve years of age. In 1864 he came to Titusville, Venango county, where he engaged as a pumper in the oil fields. In 1873 he located at Karns City, where he followed the oil industry, and afterwards purchased an interest in a well on the J. B. Campbell farm. He followed producing for some years, and in the spring of 1883 purchased the Campbell farm, consisting of 136 acres, upon which he has since resided. Mr. Heron was married in 1866, to Emma Hobbs, a native of Canada, to which union were born six children, viz.: Minnie, deceased; Charles E.; Archie J.; James A.; Cora E., and Belle, deceased. Mrs. Heron died in 1884, and he was again married, February 15, 1887, to Mrs. Ada E. Campbell, widow of James R. Campbell, by whom she had the following children: Nancy Jane, deceased; Cora J., deceased, and Lulu M. Mrs. Heron is a daughter of John and Mary Graham, and a native of Allegheny township, Butler county.

By her marriage to Mr. Heron she is the mother of one daughter, Emma, deceased. In politics, Mr. Heron is a Republican. He is a member of Argyle Lodge, Number 540, F. & A. M.

Nicholas Pontius, one of the well known and prominent citizens of Fairview township, was born in Prussia, Germany, April 18, 1832, son of Charles and Elizabeth (Hartwick) Pontius, natives of Prussia. Charles Pontius was a shoemaker, and came to the United States, with his wife and six children, in 1845, landing at Baltimore, and thence proceeding to Pittsburg, where he followed his trade. Later he settled on a farm in Washington county, Ohio, where both he and wife died. They were the parents of six children, three of whom are living, viz.: Charles, a merchant of Cameron, Ohio; Nicholas, and Caroline, wife of Gottlieb Fox, of Virginia. The subject of this sketch spent his boyhood days in his native land, where he received a common school education. He was thirteen years of age when his parents came to the United States, the voyage across the Atlantic in a sailing vessel consuming fifty-six days. After arriving at Pittsburg he entered a furniture manufactory, and served an apprenticeship of three years as a finisher, receiving three dollars per week and later four dollars per week during his apprenticeship. He afterwards worked as a journeyman until 1862, in which year he located at Millerstown, Butler county, and engaged in the mercantile business. In 1864 he removed to Buena Vista, where he continued in business until 1878, in which year he retired. In the meantime he had embarked in the oil industry, and now owns 140 acres of good land with a profitable production. He is also interested in the eastern belt, is one of the leading producers of his locality, and at one time owned an interest in fifty-six wells in the Millerstown field. He is a stockholder in the Producers Pipe Line Company, and was one of the original stockholders in the German Oil Refinery at Brady's Bend, which was afterwards purchased by the Standard Oil Company. In 1852 Mr. Pontius was married, in Pittsburg, to Christina Wolfe, a native of Saxony, Germany, who came to Butler county with her parents when five years of age. To this union has been born one son, Edward, who died in infancy. Politically, Mr. Pontius is a Republican, and is a member of the I. O. O. F. In 1878 he and his wife spent the summer on a visit to their native land, enjoying a portion of the fruits which his industry and economy accumulated. He has been a very successful business man, and is recognized as one of the substantial citizens of the county.

Robert O. Shira was born in Washington township, Butler county, June 10, 1839, son of David and Maria Shira. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, in September, 1861. He served with his regiment in the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the battles of Williamsburg and Fair Oaks. He was wounded in the latter fight, by a gun shot through the right thigh, and was taken prisoner, but when the rebels were driven back he was left upon the field for dead. He was sent to the hospital at Davis Island, and when sufficiently recovered was granted a furlough. He returned to the hospital and was sent to Bedloe's Island, and honorably discharged, on a surgeon's certificate, for disability. In February, 1864, he re-enlisted in his old company and regiment, was soon promoted to second lieutenant of Company B, Sixth Heavy Artillery,

and did good service until the close of the war. He was honorably discharged in June, 1865, and participated in the grand review at Washington. In 1868 Mr. Shira married Clara E. Graham; they resided in Washington township until her death, November 6, 1879. She was the mother of four children, viz.: Flora E., deceased; Victor E.; Edith E., and one that died in infancy. Mr. Shira was again married, October 5, 1888, to Margaret Hays. They removed to Fairview borough in the fall of 1893, where they have since resided. They are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican, and a member of the G. A. R.

Kenneth McIntosh was born in Inverness, Scotland, June 10, 1834, son of William and Isabel McIntosh. In 1849 he came with his parents to Chautauqua county, New York, and at the age of sixteen years began working on a farm as a laborer, a position affording him much hard work but little pay. About 1857 he went west, and for several years dealt successfully in real estate in Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Returning to New York he engaged in farming and the dairy business until 1873, in which year he settled in Butler county, and engaged with the Angell Oil Company, as farm superintendent. In the spring of 1879 he purchased and located upon his present farm of 130 acres, at Fairmont, which he has greatly improved in every way. In 1861 Mr. McIntosh married Rose A. Belding, of Stockton, New York, and has three children, viz.: Lizzie M., wife of M. A. Lee; Edward E., and Addie. Mrs. McIntosh died in 1888. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Karns City. Politically, he is a Republican, and is one of the leading farmers of his township.

Patrick R. Burke was born in Brooklyn, New York, March 17, 1848, son of James and Mary Ryan (Ryan) Burke, natives of Ireland. His father came to Brooklyn in early manhood, where he followed contracting and building, was married in that city to Mary Ryan, and spent the remaining years of his life there. His widow lives in Cleveland, Ohio. They were the parents of two children, Patrick R. being the only survivor. He lived in Brooklyn until fourteen years of age, and attended a private school in that city. In 1862 he removed with his mother to Cleveland, and there entered St. Mary's College, where he remained until the spring of 1866. In June of that year he located at Franklin, Venango county, and engaged as a pumper at Coal City. In the spring of 1873 he settled at Karns City, where he accepted the position of bookkeeper with the lumber firm of Rogers & Allen, with whom he remained until May 14, 1875, when he embarked in the mercantile business in that borough, as a partner with H. P. Meclimans. In September, 1875, Mr. Burke became sole proprietor and conducted the business until 1888, in which year he retired because of ill health. He afterwards devoted his entire attention to his oil interests in Butler and McKean counties, and is now the owner of two producing farms in Fairview township. Mr. Burke was married November 4, 1874, to Ada Z., a daughter of Hugh P. and Margaret (Campbell) Meclimans, and of the eight children born to this union, six survive: Franklin K.; Carrie Maude; Cleveland R.; Ellen J.; Eliza, and Eugene. Politically, he has always been an ardent Democrat; was twice a delegate to State conventions; filled the office

of burgess of Karns City, and is now serving his fourteenth consecutive year as a member of the school board. He is a Past D. D. G. M. in the A. O. U. W., and was the prime mover in establishing Karns City Lodge, of which he was elected first officer and is at present treasurer. He was also one of the organizers and first N. G. in Karns City Lodge, Number 931, I. O. O. F., in which he is past D. D. G. M., and treasurer of the lodge for ten years. He is a prominent member of the Masonic order, and is connected with Parker Lodge, also with the chapter, commandery, and consistory, in which he has taken the 32nd degree. Mr. Burke is a prominent citizen of the community, in which he has extensive business interests, and has done his full share towards building up the social and material prosperity of the borough.

George E. McGill, oil producer of Karns City, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, October 1, 1845, son of George and Sarah McGill. When our subject was five years old his mother died, and his father removed to Chautauqua county, New York, where he died in 1857. At the age of thirteen years, George E. was thrown upon his own resources, but by industry and economy he soon acquired sufficient funds to enable him to enter the academy at Westfield, New York, and graduated from that institution three years later. After a short time spent upon a farm, he found employment in the oil fields of Venango county, as an engineer, but soon acquired some leases and began drilling. His efforts proved unsuccessful, the first seven wells he put down coming in dry, and at the age of twenty years he found himself a bankrupt and $3,000 in debt. This would have discouraged a man of less determination, but with indomitable energy he persevered, and securing a small lease on the Foster farm, soon had a well producing 200 barrels a day. This was the turn of the tide in his fortune, and he subsequently became one of the well known operators in that famous field. He also conducted extensive operations in Warren county, and established the Commercial Club Livery, at Titusville, at an outlay of $22,000. In July, 1872, he came to Butler county and put down the second well on the McClymond's farm, at Karns City, which came in at 125 barrels a day, and he has ever since been prominently identified with the oil industry of Butler county. He is a Republican in politics, and has served as a member of the Karns City council. Mr. McGill is proud of the fact that he was one of the originators and charter members of the Titusville Oil Exchange, the first established in this country.

George Beck, proprietor of the Producers Refinery, Karns City, was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, February 8, 1852, son of John George and Anna Maria Beck, natives of Wurtemburg, where his mother still resides at a ripe old age. The subject of this sketch grew to maturity in his native land, and there received a common school education. In 1874 he immigrated to Pennsylvania and located at Modoc, Butler county, where he engaged in the oil business with his brother John, who had settled in this county in 1872. He remained at Modoc until 1876, then came to Karns City and operated in that field. In 1878 they purchased the Producers Refinery, and carried on the business until the death of John Beck, in January, 1894, since which event George has been sole proprietor. The works have a capacity of fifty barrels of distilled petroleum a day, all of which is used in this section of the country. Mr. Beck was married in 1879, to

Anna Maria Bezler, a native of Wurtemburg, and is the father of five children: Annie M.; Minnie B.; Clara K.; John A, and Walter W. He is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the borough council. He is connected with Derrick Lodge, K. of P., also with Karns City Lodge, I. O. O. F. Mr. Beck takes an active interest in public movements and is an enterprising and progressive citizen. By close attention to his business affairs he has accumulated through the passing years a handsome competence, the result of his own inherent industry and business ability.

P. D. Sherwin, proprietor of the Enterprise Coal Works, at Karns City, was born in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, November 5, 1848. His parents, Samuel and Dinah Sherwin, natives of England, immigrated to Pennsylvania and settled in Schuylkill county, his father engaging in the coal industry. His mother died in 1857, aged thirty-three years. His father died at Karns City in 1888, aged sixty-six years. The subject of this sketch was the eldest in a family of six children, and gained a practical knowledge of mining in boyhood. In 1866 he went to Richmond, Virginia, and took charge of the Deep Run coal mine in Henrico county, of that State. In 1869, owing to the prevalence of fever and ague, he returned to Elk county, Pennsylvania, and took charge of the King mines under his father. In 1871 he went Monterey, Clarion county, Pennsylvania, and with his father leased the Miller Edie mine, and in 1873 they leased the Rattlesnake mine for three years. In 1876 Mr. Sherwin came to Karns City, and with his father embarked in the coal industry. In April, 1888, he opened the Enterprise Coal Works, the most completely equipped and largest works in this section of the county. In 1894 he leased and remodeled the Standard mine on the Pittsburg, Shenango and Lake Erie railroad, in Clay township. Mr. Sherwin was married June 28, 1871, to Annie Blackett, a native of England and a daughter of John Blackett, who came to the United States with his family when she was an infant. Seven children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Samuel; John B.; William E.; James G.; Gracie B.; Charles P., and Hattie, deceased. Politically, Mr. Sherwin is a Republican, and is one of the enterprising citizens of the community.

George Strance, engineer in charge of the National Transit Company's pump station, at Karns City, was born at Olean, New York, December 19, 1859, son of John and Catherine Strance, natives of Wurtemburg, Germany. John Strance immigrated in early manhood to New York, his wife also coming to the same State in girlhood. They were married and resided in New York for some years, but removed to Warren county, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Strance died, and where his widow still resides. George is the fifth child in a family of four sons and two daughters, and commenced in life for himself at the age of sixteen years, coming to Petrolia, Butler county, where he entered the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company as messenger boy, and devoted his spare moments towards acquiring a knowledge of telegraphy. In August, 1879, he was placed in charge of the Western Union office at Karns City, and on November 5 of that year he accepted a situation as operator in the office of the National Transit Company. The following year he was promoted to the position of engineer, which he has occupied for the past fourteen years. He is the architect

of his own good fortune, having commenced at the bottom round of the ladder. When a messenger boy at Petrolia his meager earnings would scarcely make ends meet, but by strict attention to business and a due regard for the interests of his employer, he won the promotion he has since enjoyed. Mr. Strance was married November 21, 1893, to Miss Tillie Stone, of Millerstown, and has two children. He is a member of Derrick Lodge, K. of P., also of Karns City Lodge, I. O. O. F., and is connected with the Encampment, at Parker. He is independent in his political views, and has been a member of the school board for six years, during five of which he filled the office of secretary of the board.

Joseph Earhart was born in Indiana county, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1827, son of David and Catherine (Altman) Earhart, pioneers of Indiana county. His father was born December 4, 1789, and his mother in 1788. They resided near Blairsville until 1838, whence they removed to near the town of Indiana. In 1845 they removed to Scott county, Iowa, which they made their home the balance of their lives. David Earhart died in Armstrong county, June 3, 1848, while on a visit to his son, Rev. D. Earhart; his wife died in Iowa at the age of eighty-two years. They were the parents of eleven children, nine sons and two daughters, all of whom grew to maturity, and seven of the number are still living. Joseph was the ninth child, and spent his boyhood days with his parents. The first school he attended was held in a log building twenty feet square, erected by his father, and furnished in the primitive manner of that period. In 1845 he went to Scott county, Iowa, with his parents, who settled on a farm near Davenport. In 1847 he returned to Armstrong county, served an apprenticeship at the tinner's trade, and followed that business for some years. In 1852 he embarked in merchandising, and in 1856 located at Butler as a member of the firm of A. G. Boyd & Company, general merchants. He sold his interest in 1858 and returned to Armstrong county, and the following year entered the mercantile business at Worthington, where he carried on down to 1883. In that year he established a mercantile business at Karns City, Butler county, which he conducted until 1892. He then retired to his present farm, one mile south of Karns City, upon which he has a good oil production. Mr. Earhart was married March 10, 1853, to Margaret J. Boyd, a daughter of John Boyd, Esq., a prominent deceased citizen of Armstrong county. Eleven children were born to this union, as follows: Sarah A., deceased wife of P. M. Graff; William P., deceased; Ada F., wife of Rev. C. A. Cummings; Anna M., wife of A. M. McCollough; C. Josephine, wife of R. M. Hunter; Lyda B.; Mary W.; Charles H., a practicing physician; Harry B.; Olive Gertrude, and Frances E. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Earhart has filled the office of elder. Politically, he is a Republican, and when Lee invaded Pennsylvania he closed his store and went to Harrisburg as a member of the Home Guards, thus exhibiting his patriotism, love of country, and devotion to his native State, of which he is justly proud.

Jacob W. Glossner was born in Eagleville, Centre county, Pennsylvania, March 28, 1849, son of Jacob and Elizabeth Glossner, natives of Germany, who immigrated to the United States. They were the parents of six children, of whom the following still survive: George, of Clinton county; Christopher; Jacob W., and Elizabeth, wife of John Sloan, of Harrisburg.

When Jacob W. was about six years of age his father died. His mother subsequently married James Styers, and died when our subject was a lad of thirteen. He was then thrown upon his own resources, and found employment as a driver upon the Pennsylvania canal. On August 26, 1864, being then only fifteen years of age, he enlisted in Company D, Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, which was assigned to service in the First Brigade, First Division, Second Army Corp. He participated in the siege of Petersburg, the battles of Gravelly Run, Hatcher's Run, and the surrender of Lee at Appomattox, and was also with his regiment in the grand review at Washington. He was honorably discharged at Philadelphia, June 8, 1865 His brother Daniel served three years in the Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. After the war closed Mr. Glossner engaged as a lumberman, and in 1871 embarked in the butcher business. In the fall of 1877 he came to Butler county, located at Millerstown, and engaged in the oil business. In 1886 he established a meat market at Karns City, which he still continues, besides being interested in the oil industry as a producer. Mr. Glossner is a Republican, has been quite active in politics, and was elected burgess of his borough in 1888, and has filled that position by successive re-elections up to the present. He has also served upon the school board, and is one of the progressive enterprising citizens of the town. He is a member of Robert McDermott Post, G. A. R., of Millerstown, and is connected with Derrick Lodge, Number 456, K. of P., of Karns City. Mr. Glossner was married September 19, 1882, to Sarah, a daughter of John and Mary A. (Dickey) White, a native of Butler county. Four children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Harry D.; Frederick L.; Mary Alice, and Grace A. Mrs. Glossner is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Karns City.

George L. Hilliard, general merchant, Karns City, was born in Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1861, son of Simon and Lydia Hilliard, natives of Armstrong and Centre counties, respectively. His father was a blacksmith, and followed that occupation down to his death, in 1885. His mother now makes her home with our subject. George L. is the sixth in a family of seven children. He received a good public school education, and at the age of fifteen years commenced life as a newsboy on the railroad, to which he devoted his attention for two years. He next spent some time in the lumber regions of Pennsylvania, where he experienced the hardships and privations of a lumberman's life. At the age of eighteen he returned to Foxburg, and found employment as a brakeman on what is now the Pittsburg and Western railroad. He rose rapidly, and when he resigned his position in 1888, he was acting in the capacity of passenger conductor. He went to California in that year, and for the following three years was a conductor on the Atlantic and Pacific railroad. In 1891 he returned to Karns City, and established his present mercantile business. Mr. Hilliard is a member of Fox Lodge, Number 825, I. O. O. F., which he joined when twenty-one years of age, and is also connected with Valley Lodge, A. O. U. W., of Foxburg. He has been a member of Hawkins Division, Number 114, O. of R. C., at Pittsburg, for nine years. In 1890 he married Miss Mary Joy, of Foxburg, a native of Cornwall, England, who came to the United States with her parents when four years of age. Both he and wife are members

of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Karns City, in which he fills the offices of trustee and assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. Mrs. Hilliard takes an active interest in woman's work and is president of the local branch of the Epworth League, in which her husband has charge of the literary work.

Chambers Scott, deceased, was a son of Robert Scott, a native of Scotland, who came to Butler, Pennsylvania, about 1811, where he spent the balance of his life. The subject of this sketch was born in the borough of Butler in 1829. He learned the saddler's trade, and about 1840 established himself in the harness and saddlery business at Fairview. Being a careful and correct business man, he prospered from the beginning, and finally engaged in general merchandising, which he continued down to his death, August 1, 1887. He was a public-spirited and progressive citizen, and held various official positions in Fairview borough and township. In 1850 Mr. Scott married Elizabeth Campbell, born in Derry county, Ireland, in 1830. Eleven children were the fruits of this union, viz.: William H., of Garden City, Kansas; Mary, wife of W. H. Jameson; Salina; Campbell McK.; Robert C.; Minerva, wife of O. W. Akins; Laura M., wife of Samuel Campbell; John C., of Chicago; Nora, wife of C. Rankin; Rhinalda P., and Flossie E. Mr. Scott was a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in his political views, a Republican. Mrs. Scott resides in Fairview, and is a respected member of the United Presbyterian church. The business is still conducted by Mrs. Scott and her children, being under the personal supervision of her son, Robert C., who, since the death of his father, has carried it on successfully.

James Maxwell was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, and came to Butler county with his two older brothers, William and John L., when a lad of sixteen years of age, settling near the town of Butler. In 1820 he married Rebecca Carson, a native of Lawrence county, and settled at Mt. Jackson, Lawrence county, where he followed the hatter's trade. In 1831 he removed to Butler, where he continued the same business for several years. In 1838 he lived on the farm now the site of the Orphan's Home, and superintended the erection of the building occupied by that institution. In 1840, after a short residence in Donegal township, he removed to a farm near Middletown, where he died, January 5, 1870. His widow survived him five years, dying in March, 1875. They were the parents of twelve children, only two of whom are living, viz.: Robert T., of Bradford, and James J., of Fairview.

James J. Maxwell, son of James and Rebecca Maxwell, was born at Mt. Jackson, Lawrence county, on the Ohio side of the line, August 18, 1831, came to Butler with his parents the same year and grew to maturity in this county. He was educated in the log school house of those days, walking two and a half miles through the forest to obtain the meager advantages which the schools of that period afforded. When fourteen years of age he commenced to learn the moulder's trade at Fairview, and followed that business as a journeyman for several years. Mr. Maxwell was married October 25, 1853, to Sarah J. McMurray, a daughter of Alexander McMurray an early settler of Marion township, Butler county, and a soldier in the Black Hawk war. In 1855 they removed to Harrisville, where Mr. Maxwell carried on a foundry for three years, then returned to

Fairview and engaged in the same business, which he conducted until 1872, and then sold out. In 1874 he embarked in the livery business, which he has conducted up to the present. Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell have had a family of six daughters and one son, five of whom are living, viz.: Eliza J.; Mary A.; Margaret E.; Ella and James M. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church. Politically, Mr. Maxwell was first a Whig, later a Know-Nothing, and finally a Republican. He has served in the borough council and on the school board. He has been a member of Connoquenessing Lodge, Number 278, I. O. O. F., since 1853, and is connected with Liberty Lodge, K. of H., in which he has passed the chairs and is now financial reporter.

Samuel Eykes, retired merchant and farmer, was born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1830, son of John and Jane Eykes, both of whom died when Samuel was a child. He was thus thrown upon his own resources, and at the age of fourteen years was working among strangers for his board and clothes. He found employment in the iron mills of his native county, and in the mines at Brady's Bend. Carefully saving his earnings, he was finally able to purchase a farm in Perry township, Armstrong county, upon which he resided many years and still owns. In 1867 he came to Fairview and engaged in merchandising, and conducted a store until burned out, February 20, 1877. He purchased eighty-six acres of valuable land adjoining the borough, upon which he has two oil wells, and devotes his attention to farming. In 1851 Mr. Eykes was married to Catherine Reese, a native of Cambria county, and has one son, Samuel David. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served in the borough council and on the school board.

Robert Hays was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in 1812, and came to Pennsylvania with his parents when twelve years of age. The family located in Armstrong county, where his parents resided until their death. Robert was reared in that county, his first home being a little log cabin in the midst of a forest, where wolves, bears and deer roamed at will. He married Deborah McKee, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Blaine) McKee, and settled upon the Hays homestead in Armstrong county, devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits. They resided there until 1876, in which year they removed to the village of Fairview, Butler county, where Mr. Hays died in 1877. His widow survived until 1883, dying at the age of seventy-five. They reared the following children: Eliza, wife of William Storey, of Fairview; Thomas, of the same borough; John M., of Venango township; Margaret, wife of R. O. Shira, of Fairview; James Harvey, of Burton, Ohio; William G., a resident of Marietta, Ohio; Robert, who lives upon the old homestead; Samuel W., a resident of Butler, and David R., of Marietta, Ohio.

Thomas Hays, eldest son of Robert and Deborah Hays, was born in Armstrong county, January 19, 1840, and grew to maturity, upon his father's farm. He attended school in the old fashioned log school building of that period, and subsequently a select school. In September, 1861, he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, which was assigned to service in Casey's Division, Fourth Corps, Army of the Potomac, and participated in

the Peninsular Campaign and the battles of Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Fair Oaks, Malvern Hill, etc. He was later transferred to the Eighteenth Corps and stationed at Suffolk, Virginia. In November, 1862, under general orders from the war department, he re-enlisted, in Battery L, Fourth United States Artillery. He afterwards served in the siege of Suffolk, at Yorktown, the siege of Petersburg, Cold Harbor, and engagements before Richmond, and was honorably discharged November 13, 1864. Mr. Hays was married December 21, 1865, to Kesiah J., a daughter of Christopher F. and Isabella Foster, of Armstrong county. Six children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Jennie L., wife of Dr. V. F. Thomas; Christopher F.; Robert N.; Maud B.; Thomas H., and Charles F. W. In the spring of 1867 Mr. Hays located on a farm in Fairview township, which afterwards became a valuable oil property, and engaged in oil producing. In 1876 he erected his present residence in the borough of Fairview, which has since been his home. The family are Presbyterians, and he fills the office of elder in the church at Fairview. Mr. Hays is a member of McNair Lodge, A. O. U. W., of which he has been secretary for ten years; has also served eight years as treasurer of Liberty Lodge, K. of H., and for the past five years has been recorder of the E. A. U. He is also connected with Argyle Lodge, F. & A. M. He is an active Republican, and has acceptably filled various positions in the township and borough.

James M. Byers, producer, was born in Perry township, Armstrong county, December 25, 1847. His father, Henry Byers, a native of Westmoreland county, came when a young man to Armstrong county and located upon a tract of unimproved land. He married Sarah, a daughter of Michael and Sarah Shakley, born in Perry township, Armstrong county, in 1810. They took up their residence in a small log cabin, and lived upon this farm until Mr. Byers' death, in 1879. His widow is still living at the ripe old age of eighty-four years. They were the parents of eleven children, the names of those living being as follows: Samuel J.; Lucinda, wife of David Benson; Fanny, wife of Thomas Snow; James M.; Rosa, wife of John McElroy; John S., and Wallace H. When James M. was a young man he went to Millerstown and learned the wagon-maker's trade, followed that vocation for some years as a journeyman, and finally established himself in business at Lawrenceburg. In the spring of 1873 he came to Fairview, where he established a wagon shop and also engaged in the oil industry, which he still follows. Mr. Byers was married June 21, 1871, to Elizabeth, a daughter of Jacob Frederick, of Millerstown, and has six children, viz.: Edward W.; William J.; Minnie S.; Pearl; Frederick, and Earl. The family belong to the German Reformed church Mr. Byers is a member of the school board, and is connected with McNair Lodge, A. O. U. W.

William T. McCoy, deceased, was born in Illinois, June 14, 1852, son of William H. and Nancy J. McCoy, and came to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, with his parents, in boyhood. He was reared in that county, and received a good education in the public schools and at Grove City College. He afterwards taught for a number of years in Mercer and Butler counties, and later located at Fairview, where he engaged in the mercantile business. He afterwards devoted his attention to the management of his farm and other interests until his death.

Mr. McCoy was married October 28, 1879, to Martha Smith, a daughter of John and Rebecca Smith, to which union were born five children, two of whom are living, viz.: Martha Alice, and Margaret Isabel. Mr. McCoy died in Manitou Springs, Colorado, where he had gone for his health, March 3, 1889. He was a consistent member of the United Presbyterian church, was a public-spirited citizen, and took an active interest in the advancement and educational development of the community, serving in the borough council and on the school board. He was a man of upright character, and was respected by all who knew him.

William C. Hawn, merchant, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, November 12, 1859, son of William Christopher and Louisa Hawn, natives of Prussia and Saxony, Germany, respectively. He came to Butler county when eleven years of age, and settled in Brady township, where his father still resides. He received a public school education in the schools of this county and Pittsburg, and at the age of eighteen he entered the employ of the Pittsburg, Shenango and Lake Erie Railroad Company, at Harrisville, as station boy, and also commenced studying telegraphy. At the end of five months he was promoted to the position of station agent and operator at Harrisville, and two years later was transferred to Mercer, where he had charge of the station for six years, when he resigned. In 1888 he came to Fairview and engaged in merchandising, as a member of the firm of Hawn & Black, becoming sole proprietor in 1892. Mr. Hawn is an energetic, successful business man, and takes an active interest in public affairs. He is a Democrat in politics, has served in the borough council, and is secretary of the school board. He is connected with Petrolia Lodge, K. O. T. M. In April, 1884, he married Austa M., a daughter of H. C. Black, a merchant of Harrisville. They are the parents of three children, but one of whom, Edith, survives. Mrs. Hawn is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Rev. Robert M. Sherrard, pastor of the Fairview United Presbyterian church, was born near Cambridge, Ohio, June 9, 1852, son of James and Elizabeth Sherrard. The family is of French descent, and traces its ancestry back to the Huguenots. His father was a native of Ireland, came to the United States when twenty-one years of age, and died in September, 1876, aged eighty-eight years. His mother died in Michigan, in September, 1886, at the age of seventy-nine. The subject of this sketch spent his early life upon the farm, receiving such advantages as the district schools afforded. When fifteen years of age he went to Cambridge and began clerking in a store, and later purchased an interest in the business. He sold out in 1873, and in the fall of that year entered Muskingum College, at New Concord, Ohio, where he completed a classical course and graduatsd in 1876. In the fall of the latter year he entered the Theological Seminary, at Xenia, Ohio, and in the autumn of 1877, entered Allegheny Theological Seminary, graduating from that institution in the spring of 1879. Returning to Ohio he was licensed by the Muskingum Presbytery, April 16, 1879, and was ordained by College Springs Presbytery, of Iowa, May 10, 1881. He received a call from the United Presbyterian congregation at Blanchard, Iowa, remained there for five years, thence removed to Commerce, Michigan, and in September, 1890, he accepted a call from the Fairview congregation, with which

he has since been connected. Mr. Sherrard was married March 31, 1880, to Sarah E. Adair, of Delaware county, New York, a daughter of James and Mary Adair. Two sons and one daughter are the fruits of this union.

Francis Whitmire, Sr., came from Berks county to Butler county in 1798, accompanied by his wife and family, and settled on a tract of land near the site of Boydstown, Oakland township, which he purchased of Stephen Lowrey. His wife's maiden name was Catherine Rust, and they were the parents of nine children, all of whom are dead. Among them were Daniel; John; Francis; Julia, and Catherine. Daniel served in the War of 1812, and died on March 21, 1867, in the seventy-sixth year of his age. His wife Susan died May 14, 1861, in her sixty-ninth year. Mr. and Mrs. Whitmire spent the remaining years of their lives upon the homestead, where he died in 1832.

John Whitmire, Sr., second son of Francis and Catherine Whitmire, was born in what is now Oakland township, Butler county, in 1805, and died on October 31, 1891. He was reared in this township, and was known as one of the most industrious and successful farmers of the community. He married Catherine Painter, who was born and reared in Westmoreland county, and educated in the typical log school house of pioneer days. She died on February 1, 1882, in her eighty-first year. She was generous, industrious and economical, having a kind word for those with whom she came in contact, and was respected by all as a kind wife and a good neighbor. Nine children were the fruits of this union, six of whom are living, viz.: Peter; Jacob; John; Eliza, wife of Robert Morrow; Mary, widow of Christopher Rider, and Susan, wife of John Beatty, all residents of Butler county. The eldest child, Frank, died at the age of tweny-two, and the other two in early youth. Mr. Whitmire was a stanch Democrat, took a commendable interest in public affairs, and filled every office in the township with the exception of justice of the peace.

Francis Whitmire, third son of Francis and Catherine Whitmire, was born in Oakland township, Butler county, April 9, 1809, was reared upon the homestead, and devoted his entire life to agricultural pursuits. He settled upon a part of the home farm, where he continued to reside until his death, June 13, 1880. Mr. Whitmire was married to Susan Osembauch, to which union were born three children, viz.: William; Margaret, who married a Mr. Weisenstein, and Anna Lena, who married Jacob Painter. William enlisted in Company M, Sixth Pennsylvania Cavalry, was taken prisoner at Bristoe Station, August 22, 1862, and confined at Libby prison, and Belle Isle, where it is believed he died. Mr. Whitmire's second wife was Anna Painter, a daughter of Peter Painter. She was born and reared in Westmoreland county, and died May 8, 1893, in the seventy-eighth year of her age. She was a member of the Lutheran church, a kind wife and a devoted mother. Eleven children were born to this marriage, of whom four are living, viz.: Daniel; Samuel W.; Anna D., wife of L. Rider, and Catherine, wife of John T. Black. The deceased are Ellen, who married Joel Shrewsbury; Caroline; Harper S.; Lewis S., and three that died in early youth. Mr. Whitmire was a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, an adherent of the Democratic party.

Peter Whitmire, eldest son of John and Catherine (Painter) Whitmire,

was born in 1831, on the farm adjoining his present homestead. He resided with his parents until his maturity, and attended school a few months during each winter season. He married Margaret Rider, of Centre township, to which union have been born six children, all of whom are dead but one, Catherine, wife of James Campbell, of Concord township. The deceased are as follows: Jacob I.; Francis P.; John; Emma Adela, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Whitmire settled on his present place in 1845, purchasing then 100 acres, but he now owns between 300 and 400 acres, with good buildings and under a high state of cultivation. He is one of the leading farmers of his township. In 1862 he enlisted in Company B, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, was taken prisoner and confined for sixty-two days in Libby prison, and was then exchanged. The last summer of the war he spent at Leavenworth, Kansas, and was mustered out at Pittsburg in the fall of 1865. He is a stanch Republican, and has filled the offices of township collector and constable. Mrs. Whitmire died, August 7, 1892, at the age of sixty-two. She was a faithful member of the Lutheran church, to which denomination Mr. Whitmire also belongs. In the spring of 1894 he married Penninah Alworth, of Parker township, Butler county.

Jacob Whitmire, second son of John and Catherine Whitmire, was born upon the old homestead in Oakland township, March 17, 1833. He attended the pioneer schools of his neighborhood during the winter months, and while living with his uncle went to the Doyle school, in Buffalo township, and spent one winter at the Dugan school, in Slippery Rock township. Returning home, he remained with his parents until the age of twenty-two, and then began in life for himself. On October 6, 1856, he married Isabella G. Brown, a daughter of Robert Brown. She was born in Fairview township in 1832, lived there until the age of seventeen, and then removed with the family to Clay township, where she was living at the time of her marriage. Eight children were born to this union, seven of whom survive, viz.: Robert J.; Amanda C., wife of David D. Quigley; Anna M., wife of Perry Gold; Ollie I., wife of Edward Sayler; Laura E., wife of Edward Bowers; Ida May, wife of William Aggas, and Maggie J., wife of Elgie Hutchison. Mr. Whitmire and wife are members of Springdale Lutheran church, in which he fills the office of elder. He is an ardent Republican, and has held the offices of school director, assessor, etc.

Robert J. Whitmire, eldest child of Jacob and Isabella G. Whitmire, was born on the homestead in Oakland township, October 17, 1858, and was reared and educated in this vicinity. He married Maggie W. Smith, a daughter of W. P. Smith, of Centre township. She was born at Brady's Bend, but removed with her parents to this county when four years of age. Five children are the fruits of this marriage, as follows: Cora M.; Alice E.; Belle; Grace E., and Olive C. The family are members of Springdale Lutheran church. Mr. Whitmire is a Republican, and has been overseer of the poor and school director in his township. He resided on his father's place for a short time after his marriage, but in 1889 located on his present farm, where he owns 130 acres of well improved land, beside other lands in Concord township.

John Whitmire, third son of John and Catherine Whitmire, was born March 10, 1835, on the old homestead in Oakland township, where he still

resides. He was educated in the common schools, and adopted farming as his avocation. He was married September 8, 1859, to Jane Campbell, daughter of William and Mattie Campbell, to which union have been born ten children, viz.: Emma Z., who married Alonzo Campbell, who resides on the Bailey farm, near Cooperstown; John E., who resides in Los Angeles, California, and is a cab driver; Charles C.; Harry P.; Everett Benton; Ada Pearl; Frank G., and three who died in infancy and youth. Mr. Whitmire enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, September 2, 1864, and served with that command until June 22, 1865, when it was mustered out of service. Mr. Whitmire and wife are members of the Lutheran church; in politics, he is a Republican and has held the office of township treasurer one term and of school director and treasurer of the district three years and a half.

William Neyman came from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, to Butler county, in 1799, accompanied by his parents, Harmon Neyman and wife, both of whom died here. He selected several hundred acres of land near the mouth of Bonny Brook, in what is now Summit township, where he erected a grist mill in the year 1800, one of the first mills built in Butler county. He was twice married, and by his first marriage was the father of three children, William, Henry and Elizabeth, all of whom were reared to maturity. His second wife was Mary Sumney, a daughter of Jacob Sumney, a leading pioneer of Butler county. He carried on the mill near the mouth of Bonny Brook for many years, and subsequently purchased lands and erected a mill in what is now Oakland township, which property he gave to his sons, William and Henry, and bought the farm now occupied by their sons—John L., and Josiah. Mr. Neyman died at the age of sixty years, and his wife in 1878, aged eighty-four years. They left two children, John L., and Josiah, with whom Mrs. Neyman made her home until her death. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, and always manifested a deep interest in its prosperity.

John L. Neyman was born in the borough of Butler, November 4, 1826, son of William and Mary Neyman. He was reared upon a part of the farm now owned by his brother Josiah, and received one-half of the homestead. At the age of twenty-two he married Christina Sarver, a daughter of Henry Sarver, who was born in eastern Pennsylvania, but was reared in this county. Five children were born to this union, as follows: Mary Jane; Priscilla E., wife of George McJunkin, of Butler; William H., who married Dassie Paulina Hutchison, who died March 28, 1889, leaving four children, Jesse Earl, Dassie May, Fred H. and Paul; Angeline, wife of George Keiser, of Pittsburg, and John F., now a resident of New Castle. Mrs. Neyman was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died August 1, 1892. In September, 1864, Mr. Neyman enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until mustered out at Camp Reynolds, in June, 1865. The greater portion of the time his command was on guard duty in and around Washington. Since 1858 he has been an elder in North Butler Presbyterian church, and is a leading member of that society. Mr. Neyman is a stanch Republican, and always gives his support to the candidates and principles of that party.

John Neyman came to Butler county with his family during the War of

1812, and settled on what is now known as the Millinger farm in Oakland township. He later moved to Centre township, built a grist and carding mill on Stoney run, and afterwards located on a farm later owned by his son John H., in Oakland township, where he continued to reside until his death, in 1847. He was married in Westmoreland county, to Mary Markle, a sister of Gen. Joseph Markle, of that county. She was a woman of good education, and took a prominent part in social and church matters. She died in 1853, at an advanced age. Eleven children were born to them, viz.: Anna, who married William Robb; Daniel; Elizabeth, who married John Cavin; Mary; Abraham M.; Solomon; Sallie, who married John Beatty; Susan, who married David McGinnis; John H.; Casper M., and William. Mr. Neyman and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, of Butler, in which society he filled the office of elder. He was the contractor and builder of the old stone church at Butler. In 1824 he was elected, on the Whig ticket, prothonotary of Butler county. He was an energetic, successful business man, and did his full share towards the social and material development of his adopted home.

John H. Neyman was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, July 5, 1799, and came with his parents to Butler county. He was reared in Centre and Oakland townships, and obtained his education in the pioneer schools of his period. In 1844 he married Isabel Wilson, a daughter of John and Isabella (Getty) Wilson, natives of Ireland. At the time of her marriage she was living in Jefferson county, where Mr. Neyman was engaged in lumbering. She was born in Indiana county in 1818, her father being a school teacher, which profession he followed until his death. Her parents came to the United States in youth, were married in this State, and reared a family of eleven children, five of whom are yet living. Her mother died at the home of Mrs. Neyman in Oakland township, November 27, 1874, at the remarkable age of ninety-one years. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, and took great interest in church matters. In 1848 Mr. Neyman and wife settled in Oakland township, where he continued to reside until his death, April 3, 1881. They were the parents of six children, four of whom are living, viz.: Markle J.; Mary, wife of John Montgomery; John Getty, and Margaret, a teacher in the Allegheny public schools. The deceased are Ella and Clark A. Mr. Neyman was a regular attendant of the Presbyterian church, and although never uniting with that body, he gave it a liberal support. His wife is an ardent Presbyterian, and is now spending the remaining years of her life with her children.

Markle J. Neyman was born in Jefferson county, November 17, 1845, son of John H. Neyman. His parents removed to Butler county when our subject was about three years old, and settled on the farm where he now resides. He was reared upon this place, received a common school education, and has always followed farming. He married Anna Fleeger, a daughter of Peter Fleeger, and has three children, viz.: Roy; George, and Mary. Mr. Neyman and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

William Hutchison was one of the early settlers of Oakland township, a soldier in the War of 1812, and died on May 8, 1814, in the forty-fifth year of his age. His wife, Margaret, died on January 7, 1815. They reared the follow-

ing children; Fergus; Mrs. Esther Campbell; Mrs. Jane Shira; Mrs. Effie Johnston; Mrs. Anna Johnston; Mrs. Maria Shira; Mrs. Matilda Beatty; John; George, and William.

GEORGE HUTCHISON, son of William and Margaret Hutchison, was born in Butler county in 1803. He was reared upon his father's farm, and in 1836 married Mary Larimere, a native of Westmoreland county, where she was residing at the time of her marriage. She became the mother of four sons and three daughters, five of whom are living, viz.: William J.; Thomas S.; Rachel J., wife of Andrew Graham Campbell; Andrew M., and Margaret, wife of Charles Gerlach. The deceased are Theophilus and Mary. Mr. Hutchison continued to reside upon his farm until his death, April 17, 1855. His wife died in 1852. He was a man of remarkable size and strength, very industrious, and did his full share towards clearing and improving the township. Politically, he was a Whig, and took quite an active part in political affairs. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church of Butler.

WILLIAM J. HUTCHISON, eldest child of George and Mary Hutchison, was born in Oakland township, Butler county, October 14, 1839, and except the period spent in the army, has always lived in this township. He was educated in the common schools, attending the free schools in winter and a subscription school in summer. He served nine months in Company K, One Hundred and Thirth-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and afterwards re-enlisted in Company A, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the surrender of Lee. He participated in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and all the later battles down to Appomattox After the war he resumed his duties upon the farm, and now owns 184 acres of the original tract entered by his grandfather, upon which is a fine brick residence erected by his father in 1852. Mr. Hutchison married Lucinda Kuhn, a daughter of Henry and Margaret (Hock) Kuhn, natives of Pennsylvania. She was the youngest in a family of six children, was born in Butler county, and died on February 2, 1893, aged fifty-two years. She was a member of North Butler Presbyterian church. To this union were born five children, viz.: Laura M., wife of W. T. Hoon; Maggie E.; Mary A.; Cora E., and Alice. Mr. Hutchison is a member of North Butler Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Republican, has filled the office of school director, and is now acting as justice of the peace, to which position he was elected in 1892.

JOHN HUTCHISON was born in Butler county, in 1806, second son of William and Margaret Hutchison. He was reared upon his father's farm, and married Eliza Johnston, whose father was an early settler of this county. They located on a farm in Oakland township, now occupied by their son William M. It contained 200 acres, and he built his cabin in the midst of the primitive forests. He cleared and improved this farm, and a portion of the original log cabin forms a part of the present residence, but it is weather-boarded. Here he resided down to his death, in 1877. His widow still survives and is quite hale and hearty. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of religious and charitable institutions. He was a warm friend of education, an industrious, hard-working farmer, and a very worthy citizen. His

family consisted of the following children: Annie, wife of Thomas Templeton; William M.; Euphemia, deceased wife of L. Cochran; Matilda, deceased wife of Henry Monnie; Edasa, deceased wife of Henry Neyman; Lizzie, deceased; Kesiah, wife of Sheldon Hulings; James, and Fergus. The last named was killed in the army during the Civil war.

William M. Hutchison, second child of John and Eliza Hutchison, was born near his present home in Oakland township, in 1832, assisted his parents in clearing and improving the farm, and attended school in the log school house of his neighborhood during the winter seasons. At the age of twenty-five years he married Angeline B. Thorn, a daughter of Joseph Thorn, an early settler of Butler county, and settled on his present homestead, where he has since devoted his attention to agriculture. His wife died on March 19, 1865, leaving three children, viz: Nettie, wife of P. Plaisted; Milo, a resident of Buena Vista, who married Milzenna E. Minteer, and Lyda, wife of Campbell Daubenspeck. Mr. Hutchison married for his second wife Lydia Daubenspeck, a daughter of Jacob Daubenspeck, of Washington township, who was born and reared in Fairview township. She was the sixth child of the first marriage, and was reared upon the old homestead in Washington township. Three children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Emma, a teacher; Elgie, a resident of Oakland township, who married Maggie J. Whitmire, and Alissa. Mrs. Hutchison is a member of North Butler Presbyterian church. He is a Republican, in politics, has filled the office of school director, and takes quite an active interest in public affairs. He is the owner of ninety-four acres of well improved land, on which there is one of the best peach orchards in the county.

William Robb was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1783, son of Isaac Robb, an early settler of that county, who followed boating and was drowned in the Mississippi, opposite Natchez, in 1809, leaving a wife and five children, all of whom are deceased. William was the eldest son, grew to maturity in his native county, and there married Anna Neyman, a daughter of John Neyman, January 1, 1805. She was born October 15, 1784, and died in 1838, a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. In 1810, with his wife and three children, Mr. Robb came to Butler county and purchased 260 acres from Samuel Riddle, which had a small clearing and a log cabin. The farm is now owned by the Moores and Lightners. He resided on this place until 1837, and then bought the farm now owned by his son, William J. Here he died in 1847, aged sixty-four years. He was an elder in Concord Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of that society. In politics, he was a Whig, and soon after coming to Butler county was elected a justice of the peace, which office he held for many years. Mr. Robb was the father of ten children, only two of whom survive, viz.: Isaac, and William J., both residents of Oakland township. The deceased are as follows: Maria, who married William Eakin; Hannah; Rebecca, who married John Christie; John N., a tailor by trade, who married Leah Miller, and died October 15, 1892; Elizabeth, who married Thomas Campbell; James R., who died in Oregon; Sarah, who married William H. Christie, and Jemima.

William J. Robb is one of the oldest living citizens of Oakland township,

where he was born on September 6, 1823, the youngest child of William and Anna Robb. He was reared upon the old homestead, and received his education in the subscription schools and public schools of his district. He came with his parents to his present home, where he has since resided. On January 1, 1846, he married Nancy Ann Christy, a native of this county, born August 9, 1824. Her parents, John and Mary Christy, were natives of Ireland. Her father came to Westmoreland county with his parents in childhood, there grew to maturity, and afterwards settled near North Washington, Butler county. He served in the War of 1812, was an elder in the Presbyterian church for many years, and died on May 29, 1855. His wife was born in 1781, and after his death resided with her daughter, Eleanor Campbell, dying on August 9, 1864. Mr. Christy and wife were the parents of ten children, three of whom are living, viz.: Jennie, widow of Samuel Campbell; Eleanor, widow of William Campbell, and Nancy Ann, wife of William J. Robb. The deceased are Andrew, who died in Illinois; Sarah, who married Isaac Robb; Ebenezer, who was mortally injured by being thrown from a buggy while on a trip to Clarion county, and James who died on the old Christy homestead in June, 1893. To Mr. and Mrs. Robb have been born fifteen children, as follows: James G., a resident of Pawnee City, Nebraska; Abner C., of Indiana county; Selina, deceased; Anna L., wife of Jesse Bell, of Lincoln, Nebraska; Andrew C., of Concord township; Mary C., wife of J. C. Hovis; Isaac N., an oil operator; Rebecca, wife of John Barr, of North Dakota; Sarah B., wife of William J. Campbell; William J.; Maria J., wife of J. M. Hogue, of Washington county; Abram M. L.; Ebenezer E., of Washington county; Emma E., and Frank M. In 1864 Mr. Robb enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, served with the rank of corporal, and was mustered out at Pittsburg, in June, 1865. Mr. and Mrs. Robb are members of North Butler Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He owns a well improved farm of 125 acres, and has always been an industrious, hard-working farmer, giving his whole attention to the duties of his farm.

John McGinley was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in 1798, and was the eldest son of John and Grace (Conway) McGinley. In 1800 his parents immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Westmoreland county. Besides his parents, the family consisted of two sons, John and Michael, the latter of whom was born on the Atlantic, and seven daughters. They resided for a short time in Westmoreland county, then came to Butler county and settled in Clearfield township. In the taxables of old Buffalo township for 1803, John McGinley, Sr., is assessed with 300 acres of land, one cow and two oxen. They resided upon this farm until after 1830, when the family were grown to manhood and womanhood and started in life for themselves. Their father served in the War of 1812, and died about 1859, at the remarkable age of ninety-five years. His wife died about 1827. They were pioneer members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of Clearfield township. The subject of this sketch came with his parents to Butler county and here grew to maturity. He married Margaret Gillespie, a daughter of John Gillespie, one of the pioneers of the county. They settled for a time in Clearfield township (now Summit, on the site of St. Mary's Monastery), but subsequently purchased a farm in Donegal township, containing 212 acres, a portion of which

was cleared. On this place John McGinley and family resided up to a few years before his death, when he removed to Butler and made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Ellen McShane, where he died July 24, 1885, in the eighty-eighth year of his age. He and wife were practical members of the Catholic church, in which faith they reared their family. She died July 26, 1854, aged sixty-seven. They were the parents of four sons and seven daughters, four of whom are living, viz: Michael, of Concord township; Mrs. Ellen McShane, of Butler; Mrs. Catherine Butler, of Ironton, Ohio, and Mrs. Margaret Kellerman, of Donegal township. John McGinley was an ardent Democrat, and took an active interest in public affairs.

Michael McGinley was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, July 4, 1826, son of John and Margaret McGinley, pioneers of that locality. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm, and he obtained his education in the old fashioned log school house, where he attended for a few months each winter. He continued to reside with his parents until 1849, when he went to Michigan and worked in the mines of that state for two years, and then returned to Butler county. On April 17, 1855, he married Eleanor O'Donnell, a daughter of John O'Donnell, of Donegal township, where she was born December 12, 1833. They settled near St. Joe, in Donegal township, where they improved a farm. For a few years during the oil excitement, Mr. McGinley traveled around in that business, but in 1877 he purchased his present homestead in Concord township, and erected a fine residence, which has since been his home. It is one of the best improved farms in the township. To Mr. and Mrs. McGinley have been born six children, two of whom are living, viz.: Jerome, and Mary, who married Peter Dillon, both of whom reside with their parents. The deceased are Francis; Patrick; Ellen Jane, and Theresa. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, at North Oakland, of which Mr. McGinley was one of the original members. He has been liberal in his support of that organization, and was a member of the building committee when the present church was erected. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served under Captain Bippus. He has always been a Democrat, and was a justice of the peace in Donegal township for ten years. Mr. McGinley is one of the enterprising and public-spirited citizens of his township, and gives a liberal support to every worthy object.

Michael McGinley, Sr., son of John and Grace (Conway) McGinley, was born upon the Atlantic Ocean in June, 1800, during the passage of his parents to the United States. He was the second son, assisted his parents in clearing the old homestead, and attended the pioneer subscription schools of his day. He married Nancy McBride, eldest daughter of Patrick and Mary (Dugan) McBride, pioneers of Clearfield township, where Mrs. McGinley was born in 1800. They settled on a farm in Clearfield township, whence they removed to Oakland, November 30, 1830, which date Mr. McGinley cut on a maple tree that stood near a spring in front of his house. The farm consisted of 240 acres, with a small clearing and two log buildings, one of the latter yet standing on the place. Here he resided until his death, September 27, 1881. His wife died on May 15, 1868. They were members of the Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. McGin-

ley was a Democrat. They reared a family of eleven children, as follows: Mrs. Mary Boyle; Mrs. Bridget Skeers; Mrs. Ann Hanlon; Sarah, and Catherine, both deceased; Margaret; Mrs. Grace Boyle; Rosinda; Hannah, and Philomena, both deceased, and J. F. P. Mr. McGinley always manifested an interest in the welfare of the county, and in its social and material development.

J. F. P. McGinley, only son of Michael and Nancy McGinley, was born on the farm where he now resides, May 16, 1845, has always lived upon the same place, and has made farming his life's vocation. He purchased the home place in 1866, and now owns 175 acres, with good buildings, and under a fine state of cultivation. On October 22, 1867, he married Bridget A. Rodgers, a native of Armstrong county, and a daughter of James and Bridget (Boyle) Rodgers. She is the youngest in a family of twelve children, and was reared near the line of Butler and Armstrong counties. Seven children have been born to this union, five of whom are living, as follows: Michael J., who married Martha O'Donnell; Catherine J.; James A.; Mary, and Daniel C. The family are members of the St. Joseph Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. McGinley is a stanch Democrat. He has filled various offices in his township, and is a progressive, public-spirited citizen.

Jeremiah Wick was a native of New Jersey, and came to Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, with his brother John, in 1796. In 1828 he came to Butler county and purchased 200 acres of land in what is now Clay township, upon which he settled the same year. This farm is now the property of David and Lowry Coulter. He married Isabella Brownfield, to which union were born the following children: Andrew; John; William; Elisha; Jeremiah C.; Mary, who married H. P. Conway, and Isabella, who married John Coulter, all of whom are dead; and Rachel, widow of Hugh R. Conway; Eliza A., widow of Harrison Conway, and Sally, who died unmarried. In 1857 Mr. Wick united with Concord Presbyterian church, and remained a member of that organization until his death. Many of his descendants are residents of Butler county.

Andrew Wick, Sr., eldest son of Jeremiah and Isabella Wick, was born July 3, 1806, in Armstrong county, and came with his parents to Butler county. He engaged in the mercantile business at West Sunbury, later followed cattle droving, and in 1844 he again embarked in merchandising at West Sunbury. In 1854 he settled upon a farm in Clay township, where he died, February 10, 1891. Mr. Wick married Sarah Shryock, a daughter of John Shryock, and their children are as follows: Alfred, of Butler; Richard C., who was a member of Company E, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in Andersonville prison; John S.; Isabel, deceased wife of J. F. McClung; Andrew C.; William; Ida M., deceased, and four that died in infancy. In early life Mr. Wick was a Whig, and later a Republican. He was a member of West Sunbury Presbyterian church, and died in that faith.

William Wick, son of Jeremiah and Isabella Wick, was born in Armstrong county, October 10, 1809, and there grew to maturity. He was twenty years of age when the family came to Clay township, Butler county. He received a good education, and taught school in this county for several terms. At the age of twenty-four he married Sarah McCollough, a daughter of Capt. John McCol-

lough, an early settler of Fairview township, a sketch of whom appears in this work. She was born in Fairview township, August 24, 1813, and became the mother of twelve children, nine of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Amanda; Isabella; John T.; Jeremiah H.; William M.; Melinda; Eliza, deceased wife of Rev. Samuel Stauffer; James M., and Olive P. Mr. Wick settled in what is now Concord township, where he died on May 27, 1892. His widow resides with her children. He never took a very active interest in public matters, was a Republican in politics, and a charter member of the Lutheran church.

William M. Wick was born in Concord township, Butler county, in 1846, son of William and Sarah Wick. He was reared upon his father's farm, and obtained a common school education in the district schools. He married Mattie A. McClung, December 18, 1867, and lived for a time at Buena Vista, where he followed the oil business. He settled upon his present farm in Oakland township, in 1878, and has since devoted his attention to farming. Mrs. Wick is a daughter of William McClung, who came to this township in 1835 and settled on the farm occupied by his daughter. Mr. McClung reared a family of nine children, five of whom are living, and three served in the Union army during the Rebellion. One of the number died in a rebel prison at Florence, while another was killed in the battle of Seven Pines. To Mr. Wick and wife have been born the following children: Harry W.; William P.; Ralph R.; Jessie Olive; Cyrus Clyde; Ora E.; Robert M.; Charles M.; Mildred E., and Mattie L. The family are connected with Zion Lutheran church, of Concord township. In politics, Mr. Wick is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director, supervisor, etc.

James Martin came to Butler county when the lands were covered with the primitive forest and the roads were mere bridle paths between the different settlements. He settled on a farm in what is now Oakland township, built a cabin and began the work of making a home in the wilderness. He married Polly Moser, a daughter of John Moser. Her father was a soldier of the Revolution, came from Westmoreland to Butler county with his family in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, and finally settled in what is now Oakland township, where he died at the age of ninety-seven years. To Mr. and Mrs. Martin were born the following children: Mrs. Catherine Lowe; Mrs. Mary Ann Burnham; Mrs. Jane Moser; Mrs. Esther Burfitt; Mrs. Eliza Hoon; Mrs. Louisa Pillifer; Mrs. Grace Duncan; Martin; John; Thomas, and Abram, all of whom are deceased except Mrs. Duncan and Abram. Mr. Martin died at the age of seventy-two years.

Abram Martin was born in Oakland township, on July 14, 1822, youngest child of James and Polly Martin, and has always resided in this county. He obtained his education in one of the pioneer schools, his only book being a United States spelling book. The school house was three miles away from his home, and school was kept only during the winter season. He remained with his parents until his maturity, with the exception of a short time spent at North Washington. He afterwards went to Reed's Landing, Wisconsin, where he worked as a stonemason. While there he entered a tract of land, and was compelled to go to the land office on horseback a distance of sixty miles through an unsettled

country, inhabited principally by Indians and wild animals. On reaching the land office he took his place in line, about seven o'clock in the evening, and stood in line until after four o'clock the next morning, before his turn came. He had only sufficient money to pay for his land, and made the round trip in two days and one night, a distance of 120 miles. On returning he sold his claim for sufficient to clear $275, and with this amount and some more that he made while following his trade at Reed's Landing, he purchased the farm upon which he now lives. He afterwards worked for fifty cents per day, and finally earned from five to eighteen dollars per day. He is one of the most industrious men of the township, and has cleared nearly all his present farm of 106 acres, upon which he erected, in 1870, one of the largest and finest barns in the county. Mr. Martin married Rosa J. Campbell, a daughter of Archie Campbell, and has three children, viz.: Margaret, wife of Daniel Andres, of Greenville; Mrs. Zillah Altas, of Butler, and Linas, who married Mary Campbell, and lives on a part of the homestead. Mrs. Martin is a member of the Presbyterian church. He is a stanch Republican, and one of the most industrious farmers in the township.

Thomas Bartley, Sr., one of the pioneers of Penn township, Butler county, was born in Derry county, Ireland, where he was reared and learned the weaver's trade. He also served six years in the British cavalry. In 1802 he married Margaret Logan, and in the fall of that year immigrated to Baltimore, whence they went to Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, and thence to Pittsburg. They lived in the latter city until 1808, in which year they took up their residence in Penn township, where Mr. Bartley purchased 150 acres of unimproved land. He was a man of great industry and energy, and soon built up a home for himself and family in the wilds of Butler county, owning before he died one of the best improved farms in the township. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and resided upon the homestead in Penn township until his death, December 1, 1859, aged eighty-five years. His wife died December 6, 1857, at the age of eighty-four. They were pioneer members of the Associate Reformed church, and afterwards of the United Presbyterian church of Butler. In politics, he was a Democrat, and always took a deep interest in local matters. They were the parents of the following children: David, a ship carpenter, who died at the age of twenty-four; Robert, a hatter, who died in Baltimore, November 16, 1891; John L., who died in Oakland township; William L, who died in Butler, February 24, 1893; Thomas, a brick maker, who died in Allegheny, March 14, 1877; Annabell; Abner, who died in Penn township, July 2, 1893, and Joseph L., who died on the old homestead, April 28, 1891.

John L. Bartley, son of Thomas and Margaret Bartley, was born in the City of Pittsburg, October 23, 1807, and came with his parents to Penn township, Butler county, the following year. Here he grew to manhood, receiving a limited education in the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. At the age of eighteen he started out in the world with thirty-seven and a half cents, and going to Pittsburg, found employment as a gardener for two years, near Manchester. He afterwards engaged in hauling coal from Coal Hill, also worked on the Pennsylvania canal for several years during its construction. On November 17, 1829, he purchased a farm in Oakland township, where he kept bachelor's hall until

his marriage. On November 17, 1835, he married Elizabeth McQuistion, a daughter of John McQuistion, one of the first settlers of Butler county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Isaiah Niblock, of Butler, and the young couple took up their residence in a log house, built for a tavern, which then stood upon the place, December 17, 1835. They lived in this structure until the erection of a brick residence in 1844. A part of the farm had been laid out in town lots about 1807–10, under the name of Somerset, and its original proprietor had hopes that the county seat would be removed to this point, which soon contained three houses, a blacksmith shop, etc. Mr. Bartley and wife were the parents of six children, only one of whom, J. Walter, survived infancy. They resided upon the homestead until June 17, 1874, when they removed to Butler, where Mrs. Bartley died, June 17, 1876. Her husband returned to the old homestead, where he died, January 20, 1892. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, formerly the Associate Reformed, in which he filled the office of ruling elder for more than half a century. He was one of the most prominent members of that denomination, and was honored and respected for his upright life and strict integrity. He was an ardent Democrat until the Fremont campaign, when he became a Republican, and remained so the balance of his life. He was a very successful farmer, and had one of the first and best grafted orchards in the county.

J. Walter Bartley, only living child of John L. and Elizabeth Bartley, was born in the old log house in Oakland township, March 13, 1843, remained with his parents until August 29, 1864, and then enlisted in Company K, Fifth Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery. He served until July 4, 1865, on which date he was mustered out at Camp Reynolds. He returned home and has since been engaged in farming. On March 17, 1870, he married Nancy Sechler, of St. Paul's Orphan Home, of Butler. She is a native of Harmony, Butler county, and a daughter of Abraham Sechler, born in Montgomery county, in 1793, and died in May, 1872. Her father reared a large family at Harmony, and was well acquainted with Father Rapp, founder of the Harmony Society. Mrs. Bartley is the mother of eleven children, as follows: Edwin S., who died May 28, 1894; Winslow, who died September 23, 1878; John E., who died March 4, 1878; William Clyde; Florence Elizabeth; Howard; Edith; Findley; Etta; Oscar, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Bartley and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, of Butler.

Andrew Moore was born in 1790, and came to Oakland township, Butler county, with his parents at at early day. They settled on the adjoining farm to that now occupied by his grandson, Andrew G. Moore, where he grew to manhood. He remained with his parents until his marriage with Ann Storey, a daughter of Alexander Storey, a pioneer of Fairview township. She was born in Ireland, and came to Butler county with her parents in girlhood. After marriage they settled in Fairview township, where both resided on the old homestead until their decease. Mr. Moore died in 1872, aged eighty-two years, and his wife some years before. They were the parents of four sons and two daughters, all of whom lived to maturity. Their names are as follows: James; John; Andrew; William; Nancy, and Elizabeth. William

is yet living on the old homestead in Fairview township. Mrs. Nancy Rankin lives in the same township, and Mrs. Elizabeth Kincaid, resides in Illinois.

James Moore was born in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1825, son of Andrew and Ann Moore. He was reared upon the home farm, assisted his parents during boyhood and attended school at one of the old fashioned log buildings of pioneer days. At the age of sixteen he commenced working on the canal, then in course of construction, and afterwards went to Allegheny county, where he was employed on a farm until his marriage to Sarah Montgomery, a native of the same county. They resided there until 1852, when he returned to Butler county, and settled in Fairview township. About the close of the war they removed to the farm in Oakland township, now owned by his sons. In 1877 he removed to Crawford county, and died there in 1881. His widow survived until 1888. Both were members of the Lutheran church. They were the parents of fifteen children, four of whom are yet living, viz.: Andrew G., of Oakland township; Mrs. Margaret Wick, of Concord township; J. Emerson, of Oakland township, and David K., who resides in Crawford county.

Andrew G. Moore was born in Allegheny county, in 1845, son of James and Sarah Moore. He was the eldest in the family, and resided with his parents until manhood. At the age of twenty-three years he settled on a part of the old homestead, and is now the owner of 100 acres of well improved land. In 1870 he married Isabella Wick, a daughter of William Wick, of Concord township, to which union have been born five children, as follows: Samuel H.; Charles M.; Alvin C.; Ira C., and John E., deceased. Mr. Moore and wife are members of the Luthern church, in which he holds the office of deacon. In politics, he is a stanch Republican, and is one of the progressive farmers of his township.

J. Emerson Moore was born in Oakland township, Butler county, in 1866, son of James and Sarah Moore, and grandson of Andrew and Ann Moore. He resided with his parents until arriving at manhood, and obtained his education in the public schools. When he was eleven years old his parents removed to Crawford county, and upon the death of his father, four years later, the responsibilities of the farm largely rested upon his shoulders. At the age of twenty-two years he returned to Butler county, and settled on a portion of the original homestead, where he has since resided. In 1889 he married Altie C. Ellis, a daughter of Abner and Margaret Ellis, of Crawford county. She was born in that county, and is the sixth in a family of ten children. Three children are the fruits of this union: Ellis and Edward, both deceased, and Edna Esther. Mrs. Moore is a member of the Lutheran church. Politically, Mr. Moore is a Republican, and was elected to the office of school director in 1893. He is the owner of 100 acres of well improved land, which is under good cultivation and contains first class buildings.

Capt. John G. Bippus was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, January 31, 1830. His parents, Matthias and Agatha (Herman) Bippus, were natives of Wurtemburg, and died in their native land in 1846 and 1870, respectively. His father was a lumber dealer, and also a contractor and builder, and had four children, viz.: Jacob; John G.; Barbara, and Anna Mary. In 1842 Jacob and John G. immigrated to Pennsylvania and settled at Hollidaysburg, Blair county,

where they followed contracting and building. In 1847 John G. removed to Butler county, and soon after established himself as a carpenter and builder near Fairview. Later he purchased seventy-five acres of land in what is now Oakland, to which he soon added eighty-seven acres. Here he devoted his energies to agriculture, until November 20, 1862, when he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was commissioned first lieutenant, and served as such until his promotion to the captaincy of his company, December 24, 1862, which rank he held until mustered out on July 25, 1863. In September, 1864, he assisted in recruiting the One Hundred and Ninety-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served as a captain in that command until wounded in the assault on Fort Gregg, before Petersburg, Virginia, April 2, 1865. After four months spent in a hospital, he returned to his command, and was detailed as assistant inspector general on the staff of General Briscoe, First Brigade, First Division, of the Twenty-fourth Corps, Army of the Potomac, and held that position until the close of his services, June 28, 1865. Captain Bippus is a member of A. G. Reed Post, Number 105, G. A. R., and is popular among the veterans of Butler county. On July 1, 1851, he married Rachel Myers, a daughter of Jacob Myers. She, too, was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, and at the age of seven years accompanied her parents to Pennsylvania and resided with them in this county until her marriage. There were eight children born to this union, viz.: Katie, who married Clarence Booth, and died on January 23, 1890, leaving a family of five children; John, a resident of Butler; Jacob, and Matthias, of Oakland township; Samuel, a physician of Butler; Christie C., a physician of Allegheny; Lyda, and Emma, both residing with their parents. The family are members of the Lutheran church. Captain Bippus is an unswerving Republican, and gives his earnest support to the principles and measures of his party.

Robert Wilson came from eastern Pennsylvania with his parents to Butler county in boyhood. They settled on a farm in Centre township. His father, James Wilson, died in middle age, leaving a family of three sons and several daughters, all of whom are dead. Robert was the eldest son. He married Barbara Cravner and settled on a farm in Clay township, where he died in 1870, at the age of seventy-seven years. His wife died the same year. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, while she was a Lutheran. They reared a family of seven children, two of whom are living, George and James. The deceased are Nancy, who married Robert Barkley; Eliza Jane; Margaret, who married John McKissick; Ellen, and Jemima. Mr. Wilson was a veteran of the War of 1812.

George Wilson was born in Clay township, Butler county, in 1825, son of Robert and Barbara Wilson. He grew to manhood upon the old homestead, assisting his parents in the farm duties, and attended a subscription school during boyhood days. In the fall of 1847 he married Elizabeth Wonderly, a native of Oakland township. Her father, Christopher Wonderly, was a pioneer shoemaker of this vicinity, and died in 1889, aged ninety-two years. He reared a large family, five of whom are living, viz.: Joshua; William; Nancy; Jemima, and Elizabeth. In 1848 Mr. Wilson purchased a small tract of land from his father, to which he has added until he is now the owner of 115 acres, nearly all

under a good state of cultivation. He has reared four children, three of whom survive.: John; Mary Elizabeth, and Etta J. Emma married Nelson Davis, and died in 1878, and her husband in 1879, leaving one son, Newton, who lives with his grandfather. In the fall of 1862, Mr. Wilson enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. In 1864 he re-enlisted in the Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and was mustered out of service in July, 1865. Returning to his home he resumed farming, which he has since followed. In politics, he is a Republican, and both he and wife are members of the Lutheran church.

Peter Heck, a native of Lorraine, France, there grew to manhood, and married. In 1833, with his wife and four children, he immigrated to the United States, and after a voyage of sixty-two days landed at Baltimore. They immediately came westward to Butler county, Pennsylvania, to which county his brother Daniel had preceded him, and settled near Prospect. Mr. Heck rented the Sullivan farm for a few years, and in 1841 purchased a farm of 150 acres in Oakland township, upon which his son Daniel now lives. It was then covered with the primitive forest, in the midst of which he erected a log cabin and began the work of making a home for himself and family. Here he continued to reside until his death, October 31, 1879, in his eighty-fourth year. He and wife were members of the Lutheran church, in which he held an official position. He was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and filled the office of school director, etc. He belonged to the militia of the county for many years, and took a leading interest in public affairs. Mr. Heck was the father of eight children, as follows: Henry, a resident of West Virginia; Caroline, wife of George Lohry, of Oakland township; Margaret, deceased wife of Henry Dierkin; Christina, wife of Adam Nohe, of West Virginia; Peter, deceased; Catherine, widow of Henry Grossheim; Daniel, and George, a resident of Freeport.

Daniel Heck was born seven miles northwest of the borough of Butler, on the old Sullivan farm, in 1840, son of Peter and Mary Heck. He attained his majority upon the homestead in Oakland township, assisting his parents during boyhood to clear the farm and support the family. He has resided upon the old homestead up to the present, engaged in farming and producing. In 1863 he married Catherine Lightner, a native of Allegheny county. Her father, George Lightner, came to Butler county with his family in 1859, and settled in Oakland township. Mrs. Heck died in 1873, leaving a family of six children, as follows: George W.; Catherine E., who died on December 25, 1892; Emma C.; Rebecca J., wife of Grant Croft; Mary L., deceased, and Bertha, wife of J. H. Kepple. She was a member of North Butler Presbyterian church. Mr. Heck married for his second wife Louisa Kammerdiner, a daughter of J. P. Kammerdiner, a native of Lorraine, France, and a resident of Armstrong county, where he is yet living. She is the eldest in a family of twelve children, and was reared in Armstrong county. Mr. Heck and wife are members of the Lutheran church. He is a stanch Republican, and has filled the office of school director for several years.

Ignatz Neff was born in the district of Unterfranken, village of Muenchberg, Bavaria, Germany, January 28, 1800, there grew to maturity and married Mary Ann Bauer, who was born in the same place on February 2, 1802. Mr.

Neff followed farming in his native land and carried on an earthenware business. In May, 1845, with his wife and seven children, he set sail from Antwerp. and after a voyage of fifty-two days arrived in the City of New York. From there they proceeded by water to Albany, thence to Syracuse and Buffalo, and to Erie, Pennsylvania. From the last mentioned point they came down the canal to Greenville, Mercer county, and thence by wagon to Butler county, arriving in what is now Oakland township, on All Saints Day, November 1, 1845, at the home of Wendell Scholl, who kept an inn at Oakland village. Soon after arrival, Mr. Neff purchased a tract of sixty-six acres of land from Mr. Scholl, which had a clearing of some fifteen acres, a log house, and a log barn. Here by hard toil and careful management he made sufficient to purchase another tract of seventy-five acres, in 1852, and in 1858 bought an additional tract of seventy-five acres, making in all 216 acres. He devoted his time and attention to improving these lands, on a portion of which he resided until his death, July 30, 1871. His wife survived him until 1885. The old homestead is still in possession of the family. Mr. Neff was the prime mover in the erection of St. Joseph's Catholic church, at North Oakland, and walked over the county to raise money for that purpose, accepting whatever he could get in money or produce. He was also a liberal contributor towards the building of the English Catholic church, at the same village. He was an active supporter of the Democratic party, and quite prominent in local affairs. Strictly honest and honorable in all his dealings, he was well liked by the people, and his death was regretted by the whole community. Mr. and Mrs. Neff were the parents of nine children, three of whom died in early youth. The names of the others are as follows: Josefa Theresa, wife of Basilius Berninger, of Centre township; Egid, of Oakland; Gabriel, who served in Company K, One Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and died some years after the war; John, of Oakland; Pius, a resident of Illinois; Helena, wife of Lawrence Witt, of Oakland, and Charles, who died in Illinois, leaving a wife and three children.

Egid Neff, eldest son of Ignatz and Mary Ann Neff, was born in Bavaria, Germany, September 1, 1830, and was fifteen years of age when his parents settled in Oakland township. He received a fair education in his native land, and learned to read and write the English language after coming to Butler county. He assisted his parents in clearing and improving the farm until 1847, when he went to Brady's Bend to learn the saddler's trade. He remained there and at Pittsburg for seven years, and spent another year at his trade in Illinois. On the breaking out of the Rebellion he returned to Pittsburg and was employed by the government in the manufacture of cartridge boxes. Later he established a shop in Butler, carried on afterwards at Oil City for a short time, and then disposed of his business and returned to the old homestead, where he has since devoted his attention to farming, having now one of the best equipped farms in the township. There are five oil wells on his farm, four of which were producers, but only two are now working. Mr. Neff was married in November, 1859, to Josephine Maischein, a daughter of Michael A. and Regina (Link) Maischein, who came from Bavaria to this county some years before the Neff family. Eleven children have been born of this union, seven of whom survive, viz.:

Michael J.; Anthony C.; John; Emma; Magdalene; Wendelin and Francis. The deceased are Frankie, Ignatius, Patrick and Cecelia, all of whom died in early youth. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland, and Mr. Neff was one of the building committee in the erection of the English Catholic church at that place. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has held the offices of supervisor, school director, overseer of the poor, etc. He has always taken a commendable interest in matters pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the community.

Charles Oswald, a native of Bavaria, Germany, there grew to manhood and learned the dyer's trade. He married Genevieve Ott, and in 1840 immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled on a farm in Centre township, Butler county, where he resided for about five years. He afterwards worked in the iron mills of Brady's Bend for some ten years, then returned to North Oakland and purchased the farm now occupied by his son Philip. His wife died here in 1866, and himself, in September, 1882, at the age of seventy-eight years. They were members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland and among the organizers of that congregation. Their family consisted of three sons and one daughter, viz.: Charles, a resident of Minnesota; Mary, deceased wife of Michael Dessing; Philip, and Joseph, the latter residing in the west. Mr. Oswald settled in the woods in a small cabin built of round logs, in which he lived until he was able to erect a more commodious home. He was a very industrious, hard-working man, but enjoyed the best of health up to a few days of his death. He cast his first vote for General Taylor, but later became a Democrat, and afterwards supported that party.

Philip Oswald came with his parents to Butler county, grew to manhood on the home farm, and assisted his father to clear off and improve the same. He attended the common schools during the winter months, and the balance of the time he devoted to the home duties. Throughout his boyhood days he wore the home-made clothing manufactured by his mother on the home loom, and endured the privations and hardships of that period. He afterwards went to Butler and learned the saddler's and harness-maker's trades, spent four years in that borough, and subsequently was connected with his brother-in-law, Michael Dessing, in the manufacture of soft drinks at Kittanning about two years. He then engaged in the dairy business in Pittsburg, for three years, was next in the dry goods business in the same city for about ten years, but his health failing he sold out and returned to Butler county, purchased the old homestead from the heirs, and has since made it his residence. In 1870 Mr. Oswald married Mary Meyer, a daughter of Philip J. Meyer, a dry goods merchant of Pittsburg. Ten children are the fruits of this union, named as follows: Minnie M., wife of Joseph Ball, of Donegal township; Charles Joseph, a resident of Illinois; Philip J., a member of the Capuchin order; Albert G.; Theodore W.; M. Clementina; Paul R. E.; Harry A.; Eugene I., and Clarence E. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland, and in politics, Mr. Oswald is a Democrat. He is the owner of sixty-three acres of well improved land, is an industrious farmer, and a worthy citizen.

John Ball was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1830, son of John and Mar-

garet (Ostheimer) Ball, of that Kingdom. His parents reared four children, viz.: Elizabeth, who died in Germany; George, who came to the United States in 1848, and is now living in Pittsburg; John, and Joseph, a resident of Butler. The mother died in 1848, and the father some years later. They were members of the Catholic church, and reared their children in that faith. At the age of eighteen the subject of this sketch immigrated to New York city, taking passage on the sailing vessel "Columbus." From New York he came to Pittsburg, where he found employment in a tannery for several years as an engineer. In 1862 he came to Oakland township, Butler county, and settled on the site of the brick church, where he purchased twenty-six acres of improved land. He lived there for a few years, then removed to Allegheny, and thence to this county. In 1865 he returned to Butler county a second time, and bought forty-two acres of land, on which he resided until 1870, when he sold out and bought the old Thorn place. Here he remained until 1872, when he purchased the old homestead, and the Hill place, holding the latter until 1879, but not living on it. He now owns sixty acres in Donegal township, and twenty-five acres in Oakland township, on which he has lived since 1872. He also owned two other farms comprising about ninety-four acres. Mr. Ball was married in 1863, to Susanna Graham, of Donegal township, where she was born and reared. Nine children have blessed this union, eight of whom survive, viz.: Joseph, a resident of Donegal township; George, a merchant of North Oakland; Margaret Susanna, a Franciscan Sister in a Pittsburg convent; Philip, who died in early youth; Mary Ann; Gertrude; Frances Eve; Anna Ursle, and John Anselm. The family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland, and in politics, Mr. Ball is a Democrat. In 1862 he joined the Home Guards, and assisted in the defense of Pennsylvania.

John Benson was born in Armstrong county in 1821. His father, Peter Benson, was a native of this State, and a farmer by occupation. He reared a large family, all of whom were members of the Catholic church, in which faith they were reared. John was the second child, and attained his majority on his father's farm in Armstrong county. He married Mary Ransel, a native of Butler county, born in 1817, and a daughter of Henry Ransel. Mr. Benson and family came to this county in 1852, and located in Donegal township, where he resided until his death in 1890. His widow still survives, and resides with her children. They were the parents of seven children, five of whom grew to maturity, and are yet living, viz.: William F.; Joseph, a resident of Oakland township; James, who lives upon the old homestead in Donegal; Elizabeth, wife of Matthias Blatt, of Brady's Bend, and Tillie, wife of Arthur Slator, of Clarion county. Mr. Benson was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic church, of North Oakland, and a liberal supporter of that congregation.

William F. Benson, eldest child of John and Mary Benson, was born in Armstrong county, in 1845, came with his parents to Donegal township, and there grew to manhood. He attended the common schools of his district, and at the age of eighteen started in life for himself in the oil regions, which business he has followed ever since. He settled upon his present farm in 1872, and has since been engaged in farming, although devoting the greater portion of his time

to the oil industry. He has charge of a number of wells located on and near his place. In 1870 he married Elvira O'Donnell, a daughter of John and Mary (Duffy) O'Donnell, natives of this county. She was born in Oakland township, in September, 1843, and became the mother of ten children, as follows: Augustine, who died May 14, 1891, in his nineteenth year; Alphonsus; Laura; Ida; William; Gertie; Mary; George; Jerome, and Anna, all of whom reside with their father. Mrs. Benson died September 16, 1891. She was a practical member of the Catholic church, a kind wife and a devoted mother. She reared her family in the same faith, and all are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, at North Oakland. Mr. Benson is a stanch Democrat, and one of the enterprising citizens of his township.

Stephen Lane was born in France, there married Jane Rappin, and immigrated to the United States in 1832, landing at Baltimore after a voyage of forty-two days. They remained about six months east of the mountains, thence removed to Pittsburg, where Mr. Lane found employment in a candle factory. He afterwards removed to this county with his family, and settled in Summit township, on a farm which he rented from John Potts. In a few years he purchased the farm in Oakland township now owned by his son Joseph, where he resided until his death. The only improvements were a small clearing and a log cabin, in which the family lived for several years. Mr. Lane was a weaver, but devoted his attention after coming to this county to agriculture. Both he and wife were practical members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Democratic party. He died on June 5, 1869, aged seventy-three years, and his wife June 20, 1860, at the age of sixty-eight. They reared a family of three children, as follows: Joseph, known as "Big Joseph," born in France, who served in the Rebellion, and died at East Brady, Clarion county, in October, 1893, leaving a family of six children; Francis, who was killed in the battle of Second Bull Run, and Joseph, known as "Little Joseph."

Joseph Lane was born in Summit township, Butler County, in 1836, son of Stephen and Jane Lane. He was reared on the homestead in Oakland township until his majority, receiving a limited education in the district school. He worked for a time in a rolling mill at Brady's Bend, and while there was taken sick with typhoid fever. Returning home he engaged in carpentering and building, which he has followed more or less down to the present, in connection with farming. In 1857 he married Catherine Kirk, a daughter of John Kirk, one of the early German settlers of Oakland township. Six children were born to this union, three of whom are living, viz.: Joseph; Mrs. Catherine Leibler, and Mrs. Mary McCool. The deceased are: Anna; Barbara, and Elizabeth. Mrs. Lane died in 1866, and he married for his second wife, Margaret Witt, a daughter of John and Christina Witt, who has borne him five children, as follows: John; Francis; Mrs. Susie Stain; Peter, and Charles. The family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, Mr. Lane is a Democrat. He is the owner of a well improved farm of eighty-five acres, while his wife owns a fine farm in Clearfield township. He still uses a threshing machine built by himself twenty-three years ago, which is as good to-day as when it was constructed.

JOHN FELGES, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, grew to manhood in his native land, and followed the trade of a carpenter and builder. He there married Elizabeth Winder, and in 1861, with his wife and two children, August and Catherine, immigrated to the United States, arriving at Baltimore after a voyage of five weeks. They came westward to Pittsburg, and thence to Butler county, settling in Summit township on a farm of 119 acres of unimproved timber land. Mr. Felges built a small house of round logs, which he cut near the site of his cabin, in which the family lived for five years. They labored industriously on this place, clearing off the forest trees and tilling the land, for six years, being the term for which he had leased the property. He continued to reside in Summit township until 1884, in which year the family settled in Oakland township. Here Mr. Felges died on September 30, 1893, aged seventy-three years. His wife died in August, 1876, at the age of fifty-six. They were members of the German Lutheran church, in which he held official position while a resident of Summit township. In politics, he was a Democrat, and was highly respected by those who knew him best. Their daughter Catherine is the wife of George Eisler, of Summit township.

AUGUST FELGES was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1850, son of John and Elizabeth Felges. He was reared in Summit township, and received his early education in the schools of his native land. Though only eleven years old when his parents came to Butler county, he was compelled to remain at home and assist his father in clearing the farm, and attended school only a few months during the winter seasons. He remained with his parents until their decease, and inherited the old homestead in Oakland township. In 1877 he married Caroline Kehm, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, who came to America in childhood with her parents, Bernard and Christina Kehm. They settled in Summit township, Butler county, where they died, leaving two sons and two daughters, viz.: Mary; John; Henry, and Caroline, all residents of Summit township. Mr. Felges and wife are the parents of five children, as follows: Paulus; George; Mary; Caroline, and Harry. The family are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Felges is a Republican. He is the owner of 100 acres, with good buildings and in a high state of cultivation.

DANIEL ANDRE was born in Concord township, Butler county, October 21, 1820, and was the sixth in a family of ten children. He is a son of Michael Andre, a native of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and a grandson, of Nicholas Andre, a native of Zweibrucken, Germany. Michael Andre and one brother left their father in Northampton county, and came to Westmoreland county. The brother settled in Columbiana county, Ohio, and Michael settled in Centre township (now Concord), Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he cleared himself a farm in the wilderness. He afterwards removed to Fairview township, where he took up another claim and resided down to his death, at an advanced age. Daniel grew to maturity in this county, learned the carpenter's trade, later went west on foot and horseback, and took up a claim near Warsaw, Indiana, but the country then being infected with malaria, he was obliged to sell his claim and return to Butler county. He followed his trade till 1864, when he purchased a farm in Fairview township, two miles northwest of Millerstown,

where he still resides. In vigorous manhood he was very strong and robust, and is now (August, 1894,) quite hale and hearty. He married Jane Davidson, a native of Venango county, born December 25, 1826, and they are the parents of five children, two of whom survive: Samuel M. and William J., the former of whom resides with his parents in Fairview township, and is widely known as a dealer in and breeder of fancy poultry.

William J. Andre was born in Fairview township, Butler county, September 7, 1866, son of Daniel and Jane Andre. He was reared upon the home farm, and educated in the public schools, and sold books to attend the West Sunbury Academy. He took an active interest in the country literary societies and became quite a debater. In 1886 he went to Washington, Pennsylvania, to sell books, but after traveling two weeks and making the discovery that there was not enough money in his pocket to buy a postage stamp to mail a letter home, he went to work in an oil country boarding-house for his board, till he could find something better. In a few days he found employment with the Forest Oil Company, as gauger, at sixty dollars a month, and continued in their employ till the spring of 1888, when he went to New York to attend the American Institute of Phrenology, graduating therefrom the same fall. He then lectured for a short time on that science. In 1889 he came to St. Joe Station, Butler county, where he embarked in general merchandising with W. E. Blaney, whose interest he purchased three years later, and has since continued the business alone. In 1892 they started a store at Oil City, but dissolved partnership a few months later, Mr. Andre retaining the store at St. Joe Station. Soon after coming to this point he joined the K. O. T. M., in which he has taken an active interest. He has filled the office of deputy supreme commander, and organized many tents in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, the tent at New Cumberland being the first one organized in the latter State. He was a delegate to the State conventions at Erie and Warren. Mr. Andre married Mary E. Cate, a daughter of H. S. Cate, of Greer, Pennsylvania, December 28, 1892. She was born at Neilltown, Forest county, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1872. Mr. Andre was appointed postmaster at St. Joe Station, December 23, 1893, and elected justice of the peace February 20, 1894, which positions he still occupies.

Charles H. Monnie was born about fifty miles north of Paris, France, where he followed farming, and stage-driving in early manhood. He there married, and in 1845, with his wife, Harriet, three sons and four daughters, crossed the Atlantic in the sailing vessel, "Lucy," and after a voyage of thirty-three days landed in New York city. They remained in New York a few days, then came westward to Pittsburg, by canal and railroad, lived in the latter city about two months, and then located on a rented farm in Deer Creek township, Allegheny county. Two years later Mr. Monnie purchased an improved farm of fifty acres in Middlesex township, Butler county, where they resided until about 1854. He then sold his property and purchased a farm two miles north of Butler, now owned by George Reiber. In 1859 he traded this for the George Reiber farm, two miles below Millerstown, in Donegal township, where he resided until his death, in April, 1861, aged sixty-three years. His widow married John Wolford, and died upon the homestead near Millerstown, in March, 1891, in her eighty-

fourth year. She was a member of the Lutheran church, of Millerstown. Mr. Monnie was the father of the following children: Charles H., a resident of Nebraska; Frederick H.; Caroline, who married James Hutchison, and died in April, 1891; Eliza, wife of Jacob Myers, of Oakland; Adeline, wife of William Wolford, of Donegal; Mrs. Mary Evans, of Washington county, and Alfred, who served in Company H, One Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in 1888, from the effect of disease contracted in the army, leaving a wife and four children.

FREDERICK H. MONNIE, second son of Charles H., and Harriet Monnie, was born in France, March 12, 1834. He was about eleven years old when the family came to Pennsylvania, and received what education he possesses in his native land, attending school in this country only about two weeks. His father was an invalid and unable to do hard labor; so Frederick and his elder brother, Charles, had to support the family and assist in paying for the homestead, working out by the day and month and turning over their earnings to their parents. At the age of twenty years he began mining coal on the home farm, north of Butler, which he followed for several years. He was married on November 3, 1857, to Matilda Hutchison, a daughter of John Hutchison, rented a house in Oakland township, and continued mining until July 29, 1861, when he enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve. He took part in the Seven Days Fight before Richmond, and Second Bull Run. He was then taken sick with fever and sent to the hospital at Point Lookout, Maryland, where he remained for three months. He rejoined his regiment in front of Washington, and served in the battle of Gettysburg, where he was wounded in the right ankle by a minie-ball, on July 2, 1863, and lay in the hospital at York, Pennsylvania, about three months. In the spring of 1864 he was with his regiment at the Wilderness and in front of Petersburg, and participated in all of the engagements in which his regiment took part until mustered out in front of Petersburg, Virginia, August 4, 1864. Mr. Monnie was a good soldier, and was always at his post when able to report for duty. Returning to his family in Oakland township, he resided there until 1883, when he located on his present farm of forty-five acres, lying in the Connoquenessing bottom near Oneida station. Mrs. Monnie died on May 16, 1890, aged sixty years. She was a member of the Baptist church. Nine children were born to them, all of whom are yet living, viz.: Albert W.; Hatty Eliza, wife of Samuel Sowash; William H.; John C.; Anna; Mary K.; Charles O.; I. Curtis, and Louis. Mr. Monnie married for his second wife Mrs. Belle McCurdy *nee* Pringle, a native of Mercer county, and a daughter of James Pringle, of Centre township, Butler county. He is a stanch Republican, takes an active part in political matters, and has held the office of tipstaff since 1885. For the past five years Mr. Monnie has been unable to perform hard manual labor, but looks after his farm, and attends to his official duties.

JOHN MONTGOMERY was a native of Ireland, a son of Charles and Sarah (Bailey) Montgomery, and immigrated to Pennsylvania with his parents. They settled in Centre county, but later removed to Armstrong county and located below Kittanning, upon a farm of about 200 acres. Charles Montgomery died there at the advanced age of eighty-four years. He was an elder in the Presby-

terian church from early manhood. His widow died in Clarion county, at an advanced age. She too was a devoted member of the same church. To Charles and Sarah Montgomery were born the following children: Elizabeth; John; Mrs. Margaret Truby; Porter; Mrs. Maria McCutcheon; William, and Mrs. Adeline Bailey, all of whom are dead with the exception of Porter, who resides at Bradford. The subject of this sketch was reared in Armstrong county, and there married Mary Truby, a daughter of John Truby, at one time sheriff of that county, who built what is known as Truby's mill, above Brady's Bend, which he operated for a long period. Mrs. Montgomery was born on July 5, 1815, and was reared in Armstrong county. After their marriage they lived on the old homestead near Kittanning for some years, then removed to Manorville, next to Catfish, Clarion county, and finally to Van Buren, Armstrong county, where Mr. Montgomery died in 1855. They were the parents of the following children: Nancy; Jane; John T.; Richard B.; Mrs. Mary London; Amanda, deceased wife of Z. M. Miller; Charles H; Robert, and Simon, both deceased. The mother lives at Van Buren, Armstrong county.

John T. Montgomery was born near Manorville, Armstrong county, April 7, 1844, son of John and Mary Montgomery, and grew to manhood in Van Buren. At the age of twelve years he commenced boating on the Allegheny river, which he followed during the summer seasons until 1867, and was a pilot from the time he was eighteen years old, the last two years holding a commission as a pilot between Pittsburg and Oil City. In 1867 he gave up piloting, and in May of that year settled at Boydstown, Butler county, where he carried on merchandising for three years. He next went to Parker's Landing, and followed pumping oil. In 1872 he returned to Butler county, and teamed for some years at Greece City, during the oil excitement. In 1878 he purchased his present homestead of fifty-five acres, partly cleared, but without buildings, upon which he settled in 1880. He has since erected all of the buildings, cleared the land and made many other improvements. He devotes his time and attention to his farm and dealing in horses. Mr. Montgomery was married May 25, 1869, to Mary M. Neyman, a daughter of John H. Neyman. She was born in Jefferson county, came to Butler county at the age of two years, and was reared on the old homestead. She received her education in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute. Six children have been born to this union, viz.: John Ardell, deceased; Ada May; Amanda Belle; Bertha Maude; Alfred Alonzo, and Bessie Blanche. Mr. Montgomery is an ardent Republican, and has filled the offices of supervisor, auditor and school director in Oakland township.

James Campbell, Sr., of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, was one of the early settlers of Butler county. He was a son of John Campbell, who reared a family of eight sons and one daughter, namely: Robert; John; James; Andrew; William; Joseph; Thomas; Samuel, and Jane, who married James Cumberland. In 1796 his father and several of the sons visited Butler county and selected lands in what is now Concord, Fairview and Washington townships, upon which they settled the following year. James located in what is now Concord township, while his parents resided with their son Robert, where both spent the remaining years of their lives. James owned a farm of 150 acres

of land, where his grandson, George P. Campbell, now lives, upon which he died about 1832. He married Sarah Cumberland, and their children were as follows: Ann, who married James Glenn; Joseph; William; James; Thomas; Robert S; Samuel; George, and Eli, all of whom are dead except Thomas and Robert S. Mr. Campbell and wife were members of Bear Creek Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

Robert S. Campbell, son of James and Sarah Campbell, was born upon the homestead farm in Concord township, May 5, 1818. He was reared in his native township, and received his education in the pioneer log school house of his neighborhood. After reaching his maturity his father gave him sixty acres of the old homestead, which he cleared and improved. He has since added ninety acres to the original tract, and has devoted his attention to farming pursuits. Mr. Campbell has been twice married. His first wife was Nancy Storey, a daughter of William Storey, of Fairview township, to which union were born the following children: Mary, wife of Silas Campbell; Eli, of Nebraska; Sarah, wife of Platt Sutton; Eliza A., wife of Cyrus Campbell; Matthew, of Concord township; Martha E., wife of William Bartley; Robert; Harvey; Maggie, wife Webster Conway, and Isaiah. He married for his second wife Mrs. Sarah J. Riddle, a daughter of James Scott, of Fairview township. One son has been born of this union, John A. Mr. Campbell is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was originally a Whig, and since the formation of the Republican party, he has voted that ticket. He is one of the representative farmers of his township, and a descendant of one of its oldest families.

James E. Campbell, eldest son of William and Margaret Campbell, was born June 16, 1843, on the homestead, and was reared and educated in his native township. His father was the third son of James and Sarah Campbell, and was born on the homestead in Concord township, Butler county. After William grew to manhood he settled on fifty acres of the home farm, to which he added 100 acres more, and here he spent the remaining years of his life. He married Margaret Fowler, who survives him. Their children were as follows: James E.; John T., deceased; Simeon H., and Margaret A., wife of Wesley Fowler. The subject of this sketch enlisted in Company G, Sixty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, with which command he served about a year, and was then transferred to the One Hundred Fifty-fifth regiment, in which he served until the close of the war, participating in all of the battles and campaigns in which his regiments were engaged during his term of service. Before Petersburg he was severely wounded in the right leg, below the knee, by a gun shot, and was sent to McClellan Hospital, Philadelphia, where he remained until discharged, the war in the meantime having ended. He returned to his home in Butler county, but subsequently settled on a part of his father's farm, which he cleared and improved, erecting the buildings and other necessary improvements. Mr. Campbell married Lilah Donaldson, a daughter of Andrew Donaldson, and has three children, viz.: William T.; Eva L., and Henderson. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church. In politics, Mr. Campbell is a Republican, and is a member of Kuhn Post, Number 539, G. A. R. He is one of the enterprising and progressive citizens of his township.

Hugh Conway, with his wife and family, immigrated from Donegal county, Ireland, to the United States, in 1771. In the last decade of the Eighteenth century they settled in Concord township, Butler county, on a tract of 400 acres of wild land, situated on Bear Creek. Here they spent the remaining years of their lives, leaving to their children the fruits of their industry. Hugh Conway reared a family of three sons and two daughters, as follows: William; Hugh; John; Fannie, who married John Hoey, and Jane, who married John Shryock.

William Conway, son of Hugh Conway, was born during the passage to America, came to Butler county with his parents, and grew to maturity in Concord township. He married Mary McLaughlin, and settled on a part of the land entered by his father. Eight children were born to this union, viz.: Jane, who married Samuel Glenn; Nancy, who married William McElvaine; Hugh; George C.; John; Margaret; Maria, and William, all of whom are dead except the last mentioned. The mother died on February 3, 1844, and the father, September 17, 1846, in his seventy-fifth year. They were members of Concord Presbyterian church.

William Conway, Jr., youngest and only living child of William and Mary Conway, was born in Concord township, Butler county, March 29, 1821. He was reared amidst pioneer surroundings, and attended one of the old fashioned log school houses, where he obtained the rudiments of an English education. In 1844 he married Euphemia Starr, a daughter of John and Sarah Starr. She was born in Concord township, December 11, 1823. They immediately took up their residence on a part of the homestead farm, but three years later embarked in merchandising at Buena Vista. In 1855 Mr. Conway located at Middletown, and engaged in mercantile pursuits as a member of the firm of A. D. Kuhn & Company. This partnership lasted for thirty-eight years, and was dissolved by the death of Mr. Kuhn in the spring of 1893. Mr. Conway was also engaged in farming, and is now the owner of a good farm. He is a stanch Republican, has held various township offices, and is at present township clerk.

Robert Patton, with his wife Rebecca, came from Centre county, Pennsylvania, to Butler county, in 1798, and settled in what is now Concord township. He was a native of Donegal county, Ireland, and immigrated to the United States with his parents when nine years of age. The Pattons were among the first settlers of this township, and reared a family of twelve children, only two of whom survive, viz.: Sarah Ann, who married J. R. Thompson, and resides in Sciota county, Ohio, and David, of Concord township. Robert Patton died upon his farm in August, 1842, aged seventy-two years. His wife died on December 12, 1864, aged eighty-four years.

David Patton, son of Robert and Rebecca Patton, was born in Concord township, Butler county, April 27, 1822, and grew to maturity upon the homestead farm. His advantages for obtaining an education were limited to a few months each year at a subscription school. Upon the death of his father he inherited the old homestead, where his entire life has been passed. Though formerly a Republican, he is now a Prohibitionist. He has held various township offices, and is a member of Concord Grange,

Henry Kuhn was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, March 30,

1805, and when about eight years old came with his parents to Butler county. The journey across the mountains was made in a wagon, and they camped at night at the most convenient point on the road. The family settled in Allegheny township, on a tract of wild land, and there these sturdy pioneers began to hew out a home in the wilderness, where the balance of their lives was passed. Henry was the youngest in a family of five children, and during his boyhood assisted his parents on the farm. After reaching manhood he often made trips across the mountains for salt, which was a scarce article in pioneer days. When about twenty-five years of age he married Margaret Hawks, of Westmoreland county, who came to Marion township, Butler county, with her parents. Mr. Kuhn resided on a part of the old homestead in Allegheny township, until 1851, when they removed to a farm in what is now Concord township, which property is now owned by his sons. Here the parents died, the father in 1872, and the mother in 1879. They reared a family of six children, as follows: Alexander D., born April 29, 1831, who was a merchant at Middletown for thirty-eight years, and died in April, 1893; Catherine, born September 14, 1832, married Campbell Hutchison, and died in December, 1891; John Coulter, born March 17, 1835, served in the Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, was wounded at the second battle of Bull Run, and died in the hospital at Alexandria; Henry, born February 1, 1837; McAllister, March 30, 1839; Lucinda H., March 19, 1841, married W. J. Hutchison, and died in 1893.

McALLISTER KUHN, youngest son of Henry and Margaret Kuhn, was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, March 30, 1839, and was reared in that township and upon the homstead in Concord township. On August 9, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Chancellorsville, etc., and was honorably discharged at the expiration of his term of enlistment. In 1867 he married Sarah Ann Campbell, a daughter of Thomas J. and Mary (Meals) Campbell, and took up his residence on his present farm. He is the owner of 200 acres of well improved land, and is one of the leading farmers of his township. Five children have been born to McAllister and Sarah Ann Kuhn, named as follows: Mary E., wife of W. E. Duffy; Maggie L., deceased; Detmer T.; Frank M., and Jessie L. The family are connected with Concord Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Kuhn is a stanch Republican.

JOSEPH EMERY, better known as "Trapper Joseph," was a native of New Jersey, of Dutch extraction. In 1807 he removed to what is now Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, bringing with him his father, and settled close to the Butler county line. He was a fifer in a company from this part of the State in the War of 1812, and served at Erie with his command. The balance of his life was spent upon his farm on the Lawrence county line, where he was engaged in farming and trapping, being one of the well known hunter's of pioneer days. He was married in New Jersey to a Miss Hull, and their children were as follows: Jacob; John; William; Joseph; Henry; Peter; Daniel; David; Maria, who married John Book; Mrs. Fannie Campbell, and Mrs. Catherine Pounds.

WILLIAM EMERY, son of Joseph Emery, was born in New Jersey in 1801, and was reared in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania. At the age of fifteen he was

bound out to Colonel Covert, of Brady township, Butler county, with whom he learned the carpenter's and cabinet maker's trades, which business he afterwards followed at various places for a few years. He then settled on a farm on the line between Butler and Lawrence counties, where he owned 100 acres of land. In connection with farming, he also worked at his trade the greater part of his life. In 1838 he and his brother Joseph purchased 200 acres of land in Washington township, Butler county, upon which he resided until within a few years of his death, when he sold his farm and made his home with his grand-daughter, Mrs. Lizzie McCandless, of Clay township, Butler county, where he died, March 20, 1889. His wife, Elizabeth, died on December 20, 1874. She was a daughter of James McCune. They were the parents of fourteen children, seven of whom grew to maturity, whose names are as follows: Hannah, who married Samuel Meals; Robert N.; Susannah, who married William Turner; Mary, who married John Hartzell, and after his death John McCandless; Joseph, and William S., both residents of California, and Nancy E., who married James Blain. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Emery was a Republican.

Robert N. Emery, eldest son of William and Elizabeth Emery, was born October 14, 1827, near the line of Butler and Lawrence counties. He received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in connection with teaching school. In 1862 he purchased his present farm of 100 acres, in Concord township, which he has since improved. In connection with his duties on the farm, he has taught school during the greater portion of his residence in this county. In 1864 he enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. Mr. Emery married Sarah J. Turner, a daughter of William Turner, of Parker township, to which union have been born the following children: Elizabeth, deceased wife of Dr. Lysander Black, of Butler; Alwilda J., wife of James Pierce; William J.; Martha; John T.; Joseph McC., and Nelson R. Politically, Mr. Emery is a Republican, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. He is a member of Concord Presbyterian church, and an elder in that organization. He is connected with Concord Grange, P. of H., and is one of the leading farmers of his township.

John Thompson was born in Down county, Ireland, April 6, 1833, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Bailey) Thompson. When fourteen years of age he came to the United States with his parents, and after some time spent at Kensington furnace, they settled in Washington township, Butler county, where both his father and mother died. John was reared upon the farm and received a common school education. In 1859 he married Nancy Stoops, of Washington township, and settled in that part of the county. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company G, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served with his regiment in the siege and capture of Petersburg. He was honorably discharged in June, 1865, and participated in the grand review at Washington. He returned to his home and resided there until 1881, in which year he purchased and located on his present farm in Concord township. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are the parents of five children, as follows: James B., a physician at Prospect; Henry; William;

Della, and Elizabeth. Politically, Mr. Thompson is a Republican, and he is a member of the G. A. R.

Samuel Findley, Sr., was one of the pioneers of Clay township, Butler county, where he settled in 1798. He built his cabin in the midst of an unbroken forest and spent the remaining years of his life in making a home for himself and family. He was a native of Ireland, and immigrated to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, with his brother William, prior to the Revolulution. His brother was a soldier in the Continental army, and after peace was established became one of the most distinguished legislators of the State. He was a member of the first Constitutional Convention of Pennsylvania, and was elected to Congress in 1790, as a Jeffersonian Democrat, and served in that body for twenty years. He wrote a treatise on the funding of the public debt, also a history of the Whiskey Insurrection in Pennsylvania, in 1794, which he assisted in quelling, and other political pamphlets. He died in Westmorland county, in April, 1829. Samuel Findley, Sr., had three sons and three daughters who came with him to Butler county, and afterward became well known settlers. The sons were Samuel, Robert and David. The daughters were Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, Mrs. Mary Christy and Mrs. Martha Milford. Samuel became a prominent minister in the United Presbyterian church, his field of labor for many years being in eastern Ohio, where he died in the latter part of the sixties. Robert and David patented lands in Clay township, a portion of which yet remains in the Findley name. They spent their lives in Clay township, and both died in the year 1843. Samuel Findley, Sr., was commissioned by Governor McKean one of the associate judges of Butler county, July 4, 1803, and served on the bench until his death, in 1816. He was one of the prominent and influential citizens of the county during pioneer days.

David Findley, son of Samuel Findley, Sr., was born in Westmoreland county, and came with his father to Butler county, in 1798. In 1812 he married Margaret Glenn, and reared a family of four children, viz.: Jane; Samuel; James, and Mary. Jane was married to Robert Hays, of Lancaster township, in 1851, and is yet living in Kansas. Samuel was married in 1852, to Sarah Hays and resides upon the homestead farm. His family consisted of seven children, six of whom are living, viz.: William C.; Mary; Eveline, deceased; Chalmers; Clara; A. Lincoln, and Laura. James married Mary J. McCandless, in 1853, and resides in Kansas, and Mary died in 1855, unmarried.

James McJunkin was born in the north of Ireland, in 1768, immigrated to America after arriving at manhood, and in 1798 located upon a tract of 400 acres of land in what is now Clay township, Butler county, the larger part of which is still owned by his descendants. He slept the first night on a large, flat sandstone rock near where he had concluded to erect his cabin, which he built in the midst of the primitive forest. This building was used as a dwelling house down to 1830, when a large hewed-log house was erected, which subsequently gave place to a more substantial brick structure. Soon after coming to this county he married Asenath Turk, by whom he had three children, viz.: David; William, and Mary, all deceased. His wife lived but a few years, and he was again married, in 1818, to Nancy Turner, a daughter of James Turner, one

of the first settlers of Parker township. She was born in Ireland, and was only two years old when her parents immigrated to the United States. Eight children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Mary Ann, and James T., both deceased; Hannah, wife of Isaac Hall, of Cherry township; Samuel, deceased; John R.; Sarah J., deceased wife of William A. Christie, of Centre township; Martha, deceased, and Susannah, wife of James Rose, of Centre township. Mr. McJunkin died March 6, 1833. After the death of her husband the widow struggled bravely to rear her family and retain the land which he had entered, but through the sharp practice of land jobbers, she lost three-fourths of it. Her son, John R., finally succeeded in after years in obtaining possession of 350 acres of the original tract. Mrs. McJunkin died February 25, 1858. The parents were members of the Presbyterian church, to which denomination most of the McJunkin family adhere.

John R. McJunkin was born upon his present farm in Clay township, Butler county, April 27, 1825, and is the third son of James and Nancy (Turner) McJunkin. His father died when John R. was in his eighth year, and when he arrived at the age of sixteen he became the main support of his mother and took charge of the homestead farm. Through untiring industry he was enabled to repurchase the lands which his mother had lost through the chicanery of land jobbers, and he has resided on this farm up to the present. Mr. McJunkin was married May 8, 1856, to Mary Hays. She was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1827, and was the mother of five children, as follows: Agnes, wife of William Timblin, of Clarion county; Harriet L., wife of Robert C. Thompson; Elizabeth, a teacher in the Butler public schools; James Elmer, an oil operator of Butler, and John W., deceased. Mrs. McJukin died December 29, 1863. On January 15, 1866, Mr. McJunkin married Amanda Clark, of Crawford county, to which union were born two children: Amanda Eva, and Imelda J., deceased. Mrs. McJunkin died February 24, 1885. The family are members of the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. McJunkin is a Prohibitionist. He has been justice of the peace four terms, school director several terms, and overseer of the poor for many years. His homestead contains 415 acres, is finely improved, and he devotes particular attention to the breeding of fine sheep, and other stock, and has been extensively engaged in oil producing. He is one of the most progressive farmers in Butler county, and gives liberally of his means towards every worthy object.

John W. McJunkin, youngest child of John R. and Mary (Hays) McJunkin, was born December 24, 1863, upon the McJunkin homestead in Clay township. He received his primary education in the public schools, and completed his studies at the West Sunbury Academy, then commenced teaching in the winter seasons and working on the farm in summer. He was united in marriage October 22, 1890, to Anna Stewart, a daughter of A. G. Stewart, of Whitestown. One son was born to this union, George Herbert, who died in infancy. Mr. McJunkin resided on a portion of the old homestead until his death, February 10, 1895. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and politically, a Republican.

John Mechling, Sr., was a son of Jacob Mechling, a native of Germany,

who first settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, thence removed to Westmoreland county, where he died. John was born in Northampton county, September 30, 1768, grew to manhood there and in Westmoreland county, and came to Butler county with his brother Jacob in 1796. They entered a large tract of land in what is now Washington township, built their cabins in the midst of the forest and began the work of clearing a farm. Jacob afterwards removed to the borough of Butler, went into the hotel business, and became quite prominent in the early official life of the county. John Mechling remained on his farm in Washington township until his death in 1829. He married Margaret Saams, born June 6, 1768, who bore him the following children: Mary, born March 14, 1794; Catherine, February 6, 1796; William, March 5, 1798; Elizabeth, May 30, 1800; John, March 29, 1802; Margaret, March 18, 1804; Joseph, May 26, 1806; Sarah, February 21, 1809; Harriet, June 18, 1811, and Esther, August 7, 1814, all of whom are deceased. The parents were members of the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith.

William Mechling, eldest son of John Mechling, was born in what is now Washington township, Butler county, March 5, 1798, grew up inured to the trials and hardships of pioneer life, and engaged in the usual avocations of a farmer's son. About the year 1824, he married Catherine Kuhn, of Venango township, to which union were born eight children, as follows: George W., a minister of the Presbyterian church; John; Henry K.; Joseph; Sophia; Isaac; William S., who died December 1, 1892, and Lycurgus, a Presbyterian minister. Mr. Mechling lived in Concord township from his marriage until 1852, in which year he removed to Scioto county, Ohio, where he died, July 29, 1870. His wife died in this county in 1851, a year before he removed to Ohio. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and earnest supporters of that denomination. In politics, he was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, but took very little interest in public affairs.

John Mechling was born in Concord township, Butler county, April 22, 1827, and was reared upon his father's farm, receiving his education in the neighborhood subscription school. He learned the carpenter's trade, and located at West Sunbury in 1849. He worked at his trade in connection with wagon-making down to 1875, when he embarked in the furniture and undertaking business, which he still carries on. On December 23, 1852, he married Martha Dunlap, a daughter of Thomas Dunlap, of West Sunbury, and they are the parents of the following children: Albert; George W., and Emma S., both deceased; Chloe, wife of Howard C. Pryor; Minnie, wife of Samuel Hunt, and Florence. Mr. Mechling was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a trustee, class leader and Sabbath school superintendent until 1892, when he joined the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he is an ardent Prohibitionist, has filled the offices of school director, overseer of the poor, etc., and is the present burgess of West Sunbury.

Glenn Family.—In 1808 Joseph, John, James, William and Samuel Glenn, sons of James and Janet (Sterling) Glenn, natives of York county, Pennsylvania, who had removed to Westmoreland county, came from the latter county with their mother and three sisters, to Butler county, and located on lands in

Clay township previously purchased by their father, who died prior to effecting a settlement. Joseph married Annis McElvaine; John married Dorcas McElvaine; James married Anna Campbell; William married Rebecca Porter, and Samuel married Jane Conway. The sisters were Mrs. Margaret Findley, Mrs. Mary Cowden, and Mrs. Porter. Their mother was a shrewd business woman, and to her foresight was largely due the purchase of the Glenn lands in Clay township. All of the sons and daughters reared families, and many of their descendants are living in Butler county.

JOHN GLENN came from Westmoreland county with his mother and brothers, and settled on a part of the land previously purchased by his father. He was captain of a company in the War of 1812, and filled the office of justice of the peace for many years. He married Dorcas McElvaine, who bore him seven children, as folllows: Samuel; Annis, wife of John Daubenspeck; Mary E.; John C.; Sarah M., wife of D. P. Kelly; Amy, wife of A. G. Campbell, and Robinson, who died in infancy. Mr. Glenn died in January, 1874, at the ripe age of eighty-two years. He was one of the well known men of pioneer days, and many of the present generation remember him.

SAMUEL GLENN was born in Clay township, upon his present farm, June 1, 1830, and is a son of John and Dorcas (McElvaine) Glenn, natives of Westmoreland county. He was the eldest in a family of seven children, and when eighteen years of age commenced teaching school. He taught until August, 1862, when he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Chancellorsville and Crampton Gap, and was discharged June 1, 1863. He returned home and taught school for six years, was elected county superintendent of schools in 1869, and filled that office three years. He then taught and farmed alternately, until 1883, when he gave up teaching and has since devoted his whole attention to his farm. Mr. Glenn was married March 13, 1872, to Maggie C., a daughter of John Christley, of Slippery Rock township, to whom have been born three children: Florence E., Edwin L., and Karl D. Mrs. Glenn died October 26, 1892, aged fifty-one years. The family are members of the Presbyterian church. Politically, Mr. Glenn is a Republican and is connected with Dickson Post, G. A. R., of West Sunbury.

JAMES C. GLENN is a son of James and Anna (Campbell) Glenn, and a grandson of James and Janet (Sterling) Glenn. His father inherited a part of the lands purchased by his grandfather in what is now Clay township, Butler county, and resided there until his death, in December, 1881, aged seventy-six years. His father reared a family of nine children, seven of whom are living. The subject of this sketch was born upon the homestead farm, in Clay township, December 4, 1840, and was the fifth in the family. After arriving at the age of twenty-two years, his father gave him his present farm, and he has since devoted his attention to agriculture. Mr. Glenn was married October 9, 1862, to Mary E. Christie, daughter of James Christie, of Washington township. She died October 28, 1863, and he was again married, September 21, 1865, to Amanthus Campbell, a daughter of Robert Campbell, of Parker township. Eight children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Adice O.; Thomas M.; Zilla D.; Mary D.;

Robert R.; Harvey J.; Clare C., and one that died in infancy. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Glenn is a Republican.

Jacob Brown, Sr., was born in Germany in 1783, and came to Pennsylvania with his parents, who settled in Westmoreland county. About 1801 he located in Clay township, Butler county, on a tract of 400 acres, his home being where Mrs. James Cochran now lives. He walked from Logan's Ferry to his new settlement in Butler county, carrying his provisions on his back. In the spring of 1802 he married Mary Catharine Fleeger, being then in his nineteenth year, and the young couple took up their home in a small log cabin which he had erected on his land. Three sons and two daughters were the fruits of this union, viz.: John; Christian; Jacob; Catherine, widow of Jacob Fleeger, and Mary E., who married Henry Miller, all of whom are deceased except Mrs. Fleeger. The mother died February 28, 1819. Mr. Brown married for his second wife Elizabeth Osenbaugh, who bore him three children, all of whom survive, as follows: Henry; Thomas, and Mary, who first married William Young, and second to Joseph Rinker. Mr. Brown's death occurred on July 3, 1837, and he and wife were buried close to his house; his son Jacob erected a monument to mark their last resting place. They were members of the Lutheran church, and died in that faith. At his death his tract of 400 acres was left to his children, and is still in possession of his descendants.

John Brown, son of Jacob and Mary Catherine Brown, was born in 1804, in Clay township, Butler county, and grew to manhood in this county. He married Margaret Miller, who became the mother of six children, viz.: Jacob, who died October 16, 1859; Isaiah, a resident of Centre township; John M., of Clay township; Alfred H., also a resident of Clay; Rosanna, wife of Jacob Brown, of Clay township, and Sarah, wife of Nelson Borland. The parents were Presbyterians, and spent their lives in Butler county. Margaret Brown died May 6, 1859, and John Brown, January 25, 1888.

John M. Brown, third son of John and Margaret Brown, was born February 23, 1837, in Clay township, Butler county, receiving his education in the public schools, and has followed farming since boyhood. Mr. Brown was married, January 19, 1862, to Margaret Miller, of Clay township. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Brown is a Republican. He is the owner of 150 acres of well improved land, upon which he has recently erected one of the most substantial homes in the township. He devotes considerable attention to stock-raising, and is a well informed, progressive farmer.

Christain Brown was a son of Jacob Brown, and was born in Clay township, December 10, 1809. He was reared upon his father's farm, and followed that vocation all his life. On February 25, 1836, he married Nancy Gordon, to whom were born six children, viz.: Samuel, deceased; Maria J., wife of George Brown; Margaret, deceased; Mary M., wife of Matthew Brown; James M., of Clay township, and Henry J., of the same subdivision. Mr. Brown died June 30, 1854.

Henry J. Brown was born in Clay township, Butler county, son of Christian Brown. When eighteen years of age he commenced to learn the carpenter's

trade, which he has followed more or less ever since. He owns and cultivates a farm of forty-seven acres, a portion of the old homestead. Mr. Brown was married October 14, 1875, to Christina Holstein, a daughter of Philip Holstein, which union has been blessed with five children, as follows: Etta, deceased; Charles A.; Minnie E.; Adelia, and an infant, deceased. The family are members of the Lutheran church. In politics, Mr. Brown is a Republican, and has filled the offices of assessor, constable, collector and school director in his township.

Jacob Brown, Jr., third son of Jacob Brown, Sr., was born upon his father's homestead in Clay township, Butler county, April 27, 1814. He was reared a farmer, became an extensive breeder of stock, and owned five farms, which he left to his descendants. He received 175 acres of the original tract settled by his father. Mr. Brown filled many of the township offices, and was an ardent supporter of the Whig and Republican parties. In religious belief, he was a Lutheran, and was a member of the Dutch Holland church. At his death, all children and grand children were remembered in his will. He died May 4, 1891, his wife having died some years before. Mr. Brown was married in 1840, to Barbara Bright, to which union were born the following children: Ann Maria, deceased; Margaret, who married James Cochran; Amelia B., wife of Miller Hutchison, and Tillie, wife of Amos Young.

Henry Miller was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, February 23, 1805, and came to Butler county with his father at an early day, settling in Centre township. About 1833 he located in Clay township, where the remainder of his life was spent. In 1830 he married Mary Elizabeth Brown, a daughter of Jacob Brown, Sr. The following children were born to this union: Elizabeth, who married John M. Hutchison; Sarah C., who was twice married, first to R. J. Hutchison, and afterwards to Edward Walker; Elmira, who married John Hindman, and Mary A., deceased wife of Thomas Hutchison.

Thomas T. Christie was a son of Marvin and Hannah (Tilly) Christie, who came from Westmoreland county early in the century and settled near Portersville, Butler county. In 1840 the family removed to Washington township, where Mr. Christie purchased 500 acres of land, and died upon his farm in that township November 18, 1856, aged eighty years. Thomas T. grew to manhood on his father's farm, and married Catherine P. Williams, a native of Venango county. They settled in Washington township, and spent the balance of their lives in this county.

Oscar Levi Christie, son of Thomas T. and Catherine Christie, was born upon his father's farm in Washington township, Butler county, July 15, 1851, and commenced his business life by working the homestead farm on shares, which he continued to do for several years. He was united in marriage December 28, 1881, to Almira Loudon, and settled on his present farm, which his wife inherited. One child has blessed this union, Samuel P. Mr. Christie and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he is a Republican.

Charles McClung, Sr., was born March 15, 1781, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, there grew up and learned the manufacture of spinning

wheels, which he followed for many years. He came to Butler county in 1803, locating in Fairview township, where he continued to follow his trade. In 1854 Mr. McClung settled in Concord township, immediately west of Buena Vista, whence he removed to West Sunbury, and died in that borough, December 24, 1866. He married Jane Robinson, of Westmoreland county, who died in October, 1842. They were the parents of seven sons and five daughters. Their sons were as follows: William; Robert R.; John; Charles; David; Samuel, and James. Four of these are living, viz.: Samuel, a resident of Kansas; David, who resides in Iowa; James, a station agent at St. Louis, Missouri, and Charles, Jr. Mr. McClung was one of the enterprising and progressive citizens of Clay township, and is kindly remembered by its older citizens.

Charles McClung was born upon his father's farm, near Buena Vista, Butler county, January 9, 1816, received a common school education, and followed farming until 1865. In that year he embarked in merchandising in West Sunbury, which he followed about ten years, and then purchased the present McClung farm, in Clay township, upon which he resided until 1889. He then removed to Fairview borough, where he has since resided, enjoying the fruits of his early industry. Mr. McClung married Rosetta McClintock, to which union were born nine children, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Henry Daubenspeck, of Washington township; Emeline, wife of Alonzo Timblin, of Fairview; James, of Butler; Angeline; Rosetta, wife of Milton Conway, of Greenville; Charles H.; Hattie, wife of Howard Hamilton, of Cleveland, Ohio; Villa, deceased, and Edward, a resident of Butler.

Charles H. McClung was born May 24, 1857, in Fairview township, Butler county, and was educated in the common schools and at West Sunbury Academy. Since reaching his majority he has lived on the old homestead. He was married May 18, 1881, to Hannah Guinn, a daughter of John Guinn, of Clay township. Three children have been born to this union, viz.: Frank A.; Bessie A., and Ralph G. Mr. McClung is a Republican, and both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Patrick McAnallen, a native of Ireland, immigrated to the United States in 1788, and some years afterwards purchased a tract of land in Butler county, where he reared a family of several children. Among them was James McAnallen, who followed farming all his life, and reared a family of thirteen children, nine of whom are living. Patrick and his son James both died in this county, leaving numerous descendents.

Joseph McAnallen, son of James McAnallen, was born in Butler county, and was reared upon his father's farm. He is now engaged in farming in Centre township. He married Maria Young, and reared a family of thirteen children, ten of whom are living, viz.: William A.; James; Elizabeth; Cecelia; Martin; Manthus; Belle; Charles; John, and Florence. Mr. McAnallen and family are members of the Catholic church, to which faith his father and grandfather also adhered.

William A. McAnallen, eldest in the family of Joseph and Maria (Young) McAnallen, was born in Butler county, January 10, 1853, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. When twenty-one years of age he purchased

his present farm of forty-seven acres, in Clay township, where he has since resided, engaged in farming. He married Hannah Gallagher, to whom was born one son, William L. The mother died, and he was again married May 15, 1878, to Viola Ralston, by whom he has five children, as follows: May; Bertram; Clara; Virgil, and Maude. Mr. McAnallen and family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he is an ardent Democrat.

Philip Sanderson was born in Butler county, April 10, 1820, son of Henry and Catherine (Gire) Sanderson, and grandson of Henry Sanderson, a native of Germany, who came to the United States at an early day. His father settled in Parker township, Butler county, was a teacher and carpenter by occupation, married Catherine Gire, a native of Ireland, and reared a family of seven children, viz.: Jacob; Catherine; Esther; Betsey; Philip; Peggy, and Henry. Jacob, Philip and Catherine are living. Henry Sanderson died in 1887, at the remarkable age of over 100 years, being at that time the oldest person in Butler county. The subject of this sketch was reared upon the homestead in Parker township, and subsequently settled in Clay township. He married Kesiah Hockenberry, to which union were born the following children: James, a resident of Butler county; Henry L., who resides at Greece City; Caldwell, a resident of Mount Chestnut; Sherman, who lives in Butler; Archie, of Clay township; Margaret, wife of Milo Stoner; Emeline, wife of Erastus Rider; Ioma, wife of Aaron Rider; John; Josiah; Harvey, and Elizabeth, deceased wife of Amos D. Hoge. Mrs. Sanderson died on July 14, 1891. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and politically, Mr. Sanderson is a Republican.

Henry L. Sanderson, son of Philip and Kesiah Sanderson, was born in Clay township, Butler county, January 16, 1842. He attended school for a few months during each year, held in a school house between one and two miles from his home, across Muddy creek bottom, being often compelled to wade through the water during the wet seasons. At the age of sixteen years he went to Butler, where he learned the carpenter's trade, afterwards following his trade at Parker during the oil excitement in that locality, saving sufficient money to purchase tools. He then returned home, was married and settled upon a part of the old homestead, erected a house, and resided there about eight years. He married Minerva McCall, a daughter of James and Rebecca McCall, a native of Butler county. Her father died while serving in the Rebellion, and her mother lives with Mrs. Graham, one of her daughters. Mrs. Sanderson is a descendant of Archibald McCall, one of the first settlers of Butler county. She is the mother of one child, Virdie. Their residence on the old homestead was burned to the ground, and they then purchased a farm of seventy-six acres in Concord township, cleared a portion of it and erected a home. This he sold with twenty acres of his farm, and then built his present residence. Oil was found on the place the same year he bought it, and there are now eight producing oil wells thereon and one gas well. Mr. Sanderson devotes his principal attention to his trade. Both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Politically, he is a Republican, and is connected with Millerstown Lodge, K. of P.

William Patterson, a native of Ireland, came to Pennsylvania at an early date and settled in what is now Clay township, Butler county, where he was among the first settlers of that locality. He purchased the present Patterson homestead, and reared a family of three children, as follows: Susan; Nancy, and Robert.

Robert Patterson was born in Ireland, and came with his parents to America at the age of eleven years. He remained on his father's farm in Butler county until his death, May 17, 1850. He married Mary Pryor, and reared a family of seven children, four of whom are living: Eli; Susan, wife of William McKissick; Jennie, wife of Joseph Greer, and Abigail, wife of Charles Rhodes.

Eli Patterson, was born upon the Patterson homestead, in Clay township, February 14, 1833, received a common school education, and at the age of seventeen he inherited the farm, where he has resided for the past forty-four years. In 1860 he married Rebecca A. Bell, to whom was born one daughter, Laura Izella, March 10, 1866. She married Adam Logan, and died February 19, 1891. Mrs. Patterson departed this life January 10, 1892, and her husband was again married, June 29, 1893, to Jennie Emery. Mr. Patterson is an adherent of the Republican party.

William Christy, a native of Westmoreland county, came to Butler county at an early day and purchased a farm in Washington township, upon which he spent the remainder of his life. He married Nancy Wilson, and reared a family of nine children, four of whom are living, as follows: John, of Beaver county; Silas, of Cherry township; Sally, wife of Peter Crowl, and Josiah.

Josiah Christy was born in Washington township, Butler county, April 15, 1830, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. He was married January 8, 1857, to Lavina Hilliard, and the following year he purchased 108 acres of the old homestead, upon which he settled. He sold this in 1871 and bought his present farm of ninety-seven acres, and later another of fifty-four acres. He devotes his whole attention to agriculture, and is one of the prosperous farmers of the township. To Josiah and Lavina Christy have been born fifteen children, ten of whom are living, viz.; Melinda, wife of William Barnes; Mary, wife of Jacob Oheiser; Sarah J., wife of Chris Wonderland; Amos; Nanny, wife of Joseph Smith; Charles; Ida, wife Curt Grossman; Thomas P.; Essie, and Elizabeth. The family are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, Mr. Christy is a Republican. In 1862 he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served ten months, participating in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville.

Samuel Christy, a son of Dunbar and Mary (Findley) Christy, was born in Clay township, Butler county, in 1821, and grew to manhood in his native township. He married Elizabeth Pisor, to whom were born six children, viz.: Anna E.; Sarah J., wife of John Chambers; George C., a resident of Oil City; David D., a farmer of Cherry township; Jemima, and Samuel E. The parents were members of the Presbyterian church, and spent their lives in Butler county, dying upon the homestead in Cherry township.

Samuel E. Christy was born in Cherry township, Butler county, March 9, 1862, and is the youngest in the family of Samuel and Elizabeth Christy. He

received a common school education and grew to maturity upon his father's farm. When twenty six years of age he purchased a farm of fifty-four acres in Clay township, upon which he has since resided. He was married November 17, 1887, to Myrtle Hockenberry, a daughter of George Hockenberry, and has two children: Edith, and Buna. Mr. Christy and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is a stanch adherent of the Republican party.

Robert Allen was born in Clay township, Butler county, in 1809, and was a son of Stephen Allen, a native of Ireland, and one of the early settlers of Butler county. His father married Agnes Patterson, and they were the parents of twelve children. Robert was reared in this county, and followed farming down to his death, which occurred in 1888. He married Caroline Richardson, daughter of Gideon Richardson, and reared a family of five children, two of whom are living, viz.: John W., and Gideon R., both farmers of Clay township. The family resided in Clarion county for several years, but finally returned to Butler county, where the parents spent the remainder of their lives.

Gideon R. Allen, son of Robert Allen, and grandson of Stephen Allen, the pioneer, was born in Clarion county, July 26, 1840, came to Butler county with his parents in 1852, and two years later located in Clay township. On November 17, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the battles of Stone River, Dug Gap, and Missionary Ridge, and was with Sherman in the Atlanta campaign. He was discharged in November, 1864, and returned to his home in Butler county. Mr. Allen purchased his present farm of 139 acres from the Stoughton heirs, in 1883. He was married February 11, 1892, to Leah Christley, and has one son, Gideon. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican. Mr. Allen has been township supervisor one term, and is one of the prosperous farmers of Clay township.

James Bartley, a native of Ireland, was a son of William Bartley, who immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1803, and settled in Allegheny county. William was married in his native land to a Miss Williamson, and reared quite a large family. He followed the weaver's trade in Ireland, but on coming to this country he engaged in farming. In 1810 he purchased a tract of land in Butler county, upon which he spent the remaining years of his life. James came with his parents to Butler connty, and followed agricultural pursuits until his death. He married Margaret Bartley, to whom were born the following children: William; John A.; Thomas; James; Robert; Joseph; Campbell; David; Dixson; Williamson; Mary A., wife of Thomas Pierce, of Kansas, and Washington. Of these, John A.; Campbell; Dixson, and Mrs. Pierce, survive. The parents died in Butler county.

Joseph Bartley was born about 1813, in Butler county, learned the brickmaker's trade, but subsequently purchased a farm in Jefferson township, where he located. He afterwards sold this property, and bought a farm in Penn township, upon which he died in December, 1866. He married Margaret A. Kirkland, to whom were born the following children: Alfred C., deceased; Eliza J., wife of William B. Graham; Charles W., deceased; Naaman F.; William J., and

Harriet S., both deceased; Emma A., wife of F. P. Brackney; Mary A., deceased, and two that died in infancy.

Naaman F. Bartley, son of Joseph and Margaret A. Bartley, was born October 31, 1848, at Birmingham, Pennsylvania, and received his education in the common schools and at Reedsburg Academy. On February 11, 1865, he enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered out of the service September 21, of the same year. He returned to Butler county, where he taught school in the winter seasons and attended an academy during the summer. This course he pursued in 1865 and 1866. In the spring of 1867 he commenced farming on shares, and continued to teach in the winter for several years. He purchased his present homestead of seventy-five acres in Clay township, in the spring of 1872, upon which he has since resided. Although he never learned the carpenter's trade, he works at that business in connection with farming. Mr. Bartley was married March 5, 1868, to Emma Z., a daughter of William H. McCandless, of Franklin township. Four children are the fruits of this union, as follows: William M., a medical student; Viletta M., wife of Thomas O. Kelly, of Ohio; Oscar M., and Clifford F. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Bartley is a Republican, has filled the offices of school director and supervisor in his township, and is a member of Dickson Post, G. A. R., of West Sunbury.

David Bartley, seventh child of James Bartley, was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1815. David learned the brick moulder's trade, which he followed for several years. He married Sarah Wasson, a daughter of Hugh Wasson, and purchased a tract of unimproved land in Clay township, from his father-in-law. His wife did not long survive, and he subsequently married Mary Phillips, to whom were born eight children, six of whom are living. The parents died upon the homestead in Clay township.

John Walker Bartley, son of David and Mary (Phillips) Bartley, was born in Clay township, Butler county, September 30, 1852, and is the third in a family of eight children. He was reared upon his father's farm and worked at farm labor until 1877, when he purchased his present homestead of fifty-nine acres. He was married November 22, 1876, to Emeline, a daughter of William Patterson. This union has been blessed with six children, as follows: Nancy M.; Mary E.; Lavina M.; Carrie E.; Frank P., and Roy P. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and Mr. Bartley is a Republican, in politics.

Asaph P. Cranmer, a native of New York, came to Butler county in 1818, being then eighteen years of age. In 1823 he purchased a 400-acre tract of land, and devoted the remainder of his life to clearing and improving his property. He married Ellen Findley, a native of Butler county, and died in 1869, leaving a family of nine children, six of whom are now living. Mr. Cranmer's homestead was located in what is now Clay township, and he was a resident of this county for more than half a century.

Asaph N. Cranmer, son of Asaph P. and Ellen (Findley) Cranmer, was born in Clay township, Butler county, November 19, 1838, and was the seventh in a family of nine children. He resided with his parents until he attained the age

of twenty-one years, when he commenced life for himself, farming and coal mining alternately. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months, when his term of service expired. He has since devoted his attention to the stonemason's trade and farming. Mr. Cranmer was married January 22, 1864, to Miss Mollie Dawson, to which union were born nine children, as follows: Emma J., wife of Harry McCurdy; John E.; Elmer, born February 26, 1867; James A., May 5, 1870; Maggie, July 24, 1871, died December 2, 1873; Norman, January 2, 1873; Almeda M., May 22, 1876; Onie, 1879, died in 1881; Harrison in 1881, died the same year, and Willie, June 5, 1883. Mrs. Cranmer departed this life August 4, 1890, aged fifty years. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and politically, Mr. Cranmer is a Republican.

Thomas Hindman was a native of Washington township, Butler county, born in 1807, his parents being among the early settlers of that locality. He was reared in his native township, and followed distilling and farming. About 1833 he married Mary McClung, a daughter of Charles McClung, of Fairview township to which union were born eleven children, as follows: Margaret, deceased; Robert, deceased; Charles; Mary, who married Samuel Cook; Jane, deceased, who married Hugh Swords; Martha; Thomas; Charity, who became the wife of Chess Stoner; John; George, deceased, and James. Mrs. Hindman died upon the homestead in Washington township, April 1, 1882; her husband died February 27, 1894.

John Hindman was born in Marion township, Butler county, October 22, 1850, was reared upon the homestead farm, and has followed the occupation of a driller and tool dresser for twenty years, in connection with agricultural pursuits. He was married April 3, 1884, to Elmira Miller, a daughter of Henry Miller of Clay township, and is the father of two children, both of whom are dead. He came to Clay township in 1885, and settled on the Henry Miller farm, where he has resided for the past nine years. He and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Jesse Brackney, son of Jesse Brackney, of Clay township, Butler county, was born on the old homestead in that township, January 10, 1815, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. He spent his entire life in agricultural pursuits, and died on January 26, 1889. In 1836 he married Eliza Miller, a daughter of Benjamin and Polly Miller, of Clay township. She died in 1877, the mother of nine children, named as follows: Abagail, wife of S. K. Eckelberger; Elizabeth, wife of Levi Walker; Lawson E.; Frank P.; Loyal M.; Annie, wife of Alfred Thompson; John W.; Walter G., and Charles. Mr. Brackney and wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was a stanch Democrat, and was tax collector, school director, and postmaster at different periods for many years.

Capt. Samuel Loudon was born in Blair county, Pennsylvania, in 1810, and was a son of William Loudon, a native of Pennsylvania, of German origin. At his father's death he was adopted into the family of John Montgomery, who settled in Franklin township, Butler county, in 1818, purchasing a large tract of land. When Samuel was twenty-five years old he married Eliza Ann Brewster, a

native of Allegheny county, and rented a farm at White Oak Springs, which he cultivated for three years. In 1836 Mr. Montgomery gave him a farm in Clay township, and he at once located upon it. Here his wife died, October 8, 1862, and himself, May 18, 1880. Captain Loudon commanded Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and was discharged in October, 1863, because of disability. To Samuel and Eliza Ann Loudon were born the following children: Mary Jane; Rachel; Rebecca; John M.; Catherine; Matilda, and Almira, wife of O. L. Christie. Of these John M., Matilda, and Almira, are living.

John Montgomery Loudon, was born in Clay township, Butler county, April 19, 1842, and was the only son of Samuel and Eliza A. Loudon. He was reared upon his father's farm, and remained with his father working the farm, as an equal partner, until the death of the latter, when he inherited a portion of the property upon which he now resides. He was married November 20, 1873, to Hannah M. Campbell, of Concord township, to whom have been born eight children, viz.: Sarah C.; Samuel; George C.; Lyda J.; Bertha M.; Edna F.; Rose C., and Myra G. Mr. Loudon and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Robert C. Thompson, youngest in the family of Robert W. and Frances Thompson, was born upon the homestead farm, in Brady township, July 20, 1857, was educated in the common schools, and at West Sunbury Academy and Grove City College. At the age of twenty-four he commenced farming a portion of the homestead, and also taught school for three winters. In 1887 he traded his farm in Brady township for 135 acres in Clay township, upon which he has since lived. Mr. Thompson was married March 31, 1881, to Harriet McJunkin, a daughter of John R. McJunkin, of Clay township. Eight children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Harold L.; Ralph M.; Elmer G.; Francis M.; Robert F.; George H.; Eva E., and Ruth. Mr. Thompson and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Politically, he is an independent voter, and has filled the office of school director for one term.

James W. Gibson was born upon his present homestead in Clay township, Butler county, March 4, 1844, and is a son of William and Mary (Shannon) Gibson, natives of Pennsylvania, of English and Irish ancestry, respectively. William Gibson was the only son of James Gibson, (who was killed by the Indians near Cincinnati, Ohio), and came to Butler county in 1797. He was a tanner and farmer, which occupations he followed until his death. The subject of this sketch resided with his parents until he was twenty-one years old, and then began working as a coffin finisher, which business he followed for six years. He removed to his present homestead at this time, and has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Gibson was married September 27, 1866, to Catherine A. Shannon, and has one son, John D., a resident of Pittsburg. Mrs. Gibson departed this life, December 21, 1889. He was again married May 12, 1891, to Maggie L. Miller, and one daughter has blessed this union, Mary P. In August, 1864, Mr. Gibson enlisted in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served in that battery until the close of the war. He is a Republican, in politics, and both he and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

THOMAS TEBAY was the eldest son of William Tebay, a native of England, who came to Butler county in 1822, and purchased a tract of land in Muddy Creek township. He died at the residence of his son, William, in Mercer county, in 1836, aged seventy-five years. Thomas did not come to this country until 1840. He purchased the present Tebay farm in Clay township in 1848. He was married in England to Mary Gibson, and reared a family of four children, two of whom survive: William, and Jane, who married Mr. Wigton. Mr. Tebay died in 1881, at the advanced age of ninety-three years.

WILLIAM TEBAY, eldest living child of Thomas and Mary (Gibson) Tebay, was born January 8, 1814, in England, attended the common schools of his native land, and came with his parents to the United States in 1840. He continued to work on the homestead farm until his father's death, then inherited one-half of the same, to which he has since added twenty-five acres, purchased from an adjoining farm. In 1858 he married Miss B. Ann Wilson, a daughter of Charles Wilson, and they are the parents of the following children: John W.; Mary A., wife John Wright; Martha E.; Tillie B, and Maggie J. Mr. Tebay and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

RUDOLPH BARTMASS was born in Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1814, and was a son of Rudolph Bartmass, a native of Germany, and an early settler of Butler county. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, and followed agriculture all his life. He married Jane McNair, and of a family of ten children born to this union, seven survive, as follows: Mary, wife of William Christley; Elvira, wife of Samuel Daniels; John, a resident of Illinois; Ellen, wife of William Martin; Anna, wife of William Miller; Ida, wife of John Coyle, and William R. Mr. Bartmass died upon his farm in Clay township, May 23, 1889.

WILLIAM R. BARTMASS was born on the homestead farm, in Clay township, Butler county, January 15, 1863, received a common school education, and when twenty-seven years old took charge of the homestead. On September 7, 1892, he married Leonora, a daughter of E. D. and Mary Eagal, of Centre township, and has one son, Ralph. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Bartmass is a Republican.

EBENEZER C. ADAMS was born in Clay township, Butler county, August 24, 1831, son of John and Annabel (Wasson) Adams, natives of Ireland and Pennsylvania, respectively. His father located in Butler county in 1800, and reared a family of twenty children, our subject being the eighteenth in order of birth. John Adams died in 1838, aged seventy-three years. Ebenezer C. learned the carpenter's trade in early manhood, and has followed it more or less all his life. He conducted a hotel at West Sunbury for a time, and in 1889 purchased his present farm of twenty acres, where he makes a specialty of growing small fruits. Mr. Adams was married October 15, 1856, to Ann Smith, who became the mother of five children, two of whom are living: John S., and Sarah N., wife of J. P. Campbell. Mrs. Adams died September 15, 1881, and he was again married June 29, 1882, to Margaret Ekin. Mr. Adams and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

James Webb was a son of John Webb, who came to this country about the year 1754, as an officer in the British army, bringing with him his wife and two children and settling at Philadelphia. John Webb was killed at Quebec in 1759, and after his death his wife went to friends in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, where she was killed by the Indians, and her son James, then a boy of eleven years of age, was taken prisoner by the savages and lived with them until he was eighteen, when he succeeded in making his escape and returned to Franklin county. Here he married, and, during the Revolution, removed with his family, consisting of his wife, whose maiden name was Brown, and three sons, John, Edward and James Mitchell, to Allegheny county, where the remaining years of his life were spent. Edward Webb was born in Franklin county and grew to maturity in Allegheny county, married Ruhama Minson, and had a family of five children, as follows: John; Druscilla; Andrew; Newton, and Esther. He removed with his family to Butler county in 1836.

John Webb, son of Edward and Ruhama Webb, had arrived at manhood before his parents located in Butler county. He first owned a property near West Sunbury, which he traded for the present Webb farm. He married Prudence Snyder, to which union were born ten children, six of whom survive, as follows: Catherine, wife of George Morrow; William M.; John M., who served through the Rebellion in Company E, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers; Martin L.; Mary J., wife of Uriah Ralston, and Edward C. Mr. Webb died in 1890, aged seventy-six years.

William M. Webb, eldest son of John and Prudence Webb, was born in Clay township, April 12, 1840. At the age of twenty-six years his father gave him seventy-five acres of land, and since that time he has followed the vocation of a farmer. He was married February 15, 1876, to Sarah E. Wick, a daughter of William S. Wick, and has a family of six children, viz.: Florence J.; Myra B.; John; Mary P.; Lulu M., and Ora C. Mr. Webb is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

John Young was a native of Pennsylvania, and a son of Peter Young, a native of Ireland. His father immigrated to Allegheny county in 1790, and later removed to Beaver county, where the balance of his life was spent. He married a Miss Algeo, and reared a family of seven children, all of whom are dead. Their names are Nancy; Martha; Rebecca; John; William; Algeo, and Robert. John was the eldest son, and came to Clay township, Butler county, about 1830, where he purchased a farm and followed agricultural pursuits down to his death. In 1813 he married Elizabeth Adams, a daughter of John Adams of this county, and reared a family of seven children, only two of whom are living: Nancy, and Robert H. The parents died in this county.

Robert H. Young, youngest child of John and Elizabeth Young, received a good education and followed teaching for twenty years. He purchased his present homestead in 1866, adding ten acres to it in 1890. In 1859 he married Mary E. Stewart, a daughter of Thomas Stewart, of Concord township, to which union were born eight children, all of whom are living, viz.: Jennie, wife of I. N. Maxwell; James R.; William E.; John M.; Theodore; Melvin; Breaden, and Edwin J. Mrs. Young died in 1874, aged thirty-four years. He married

for his second wife Mrs. Amanda McFarland *nee* Bryson, a daughter of William C. and Sarah J. (White) Bryson, of Whitestown. The family are members of the United Presbyterian church. In 1864 he enlisted in the Sixth Heavy Artillery, leaving his wife and three children, the youngest six months old, without any support but the local bounty received from Forward township. He served until June, 1865, when the regiment was discharged. Mr. Young is a Republican, was elected superintendent of the public schools in 1872, filled that office three years, and has also been school director for one term, and township auditor since 1881. He makes a specialty of small fruit growing, and is one of the most intelligent and progressive citizens of the community.

Richard Baker was born in Beaver township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1795, and was the first white child born in that township. His father, Robert Baker, was a native of Ireland, and one of the pioneers of Beaver county. He married Miss Rachel Williams, and reared a family of six sons, as follows: Richard; William; Samuel; Enoch; John, and George. Robert Baker and wife spent the remaining years of their lives in Beaver county. The subject of this sketch was reared upon his father's farm, and learned the cooper's trade, which he followed until he had saved sufficient money to purchase 150 acres of land in his native township, upon which he located and engaged in farming. He married Catherine Thompson, a daughter of James Thompson, to whom were born twenty children, four of whom died in infancy. The names of the others are as follows: James, who died at Andersonville, in the Rebellion; William, of Beaver county; Saphronia; Sidney, wife of William Beatty, of Beaver county; Lorenzo, who was wounded at the battle of Vicksburg, from the effects of which he died; John, a resident of Iowa; Robert, who was also killed in the Rebellion; George K., of Clay township; Thompson, a resident of Nebraska; Sarah, wife of Benjamin James; Mary A., who married Fred Strahley; Nancy J., who married Talbert Swalters; Matilda, wife of Walter Craig; Rachel, wife of George Minner; Richard, of Nebraska, and Catherine, wife of Robert Mills. Mr. Baker died in December, 1882, aged eighty-three years.

George K. Baker was born in Beaver county, December 7, 1837, grew to maturity in that county, and at the age of twenty-two years rented a farm in Centre township, Butler county, where he lived six years. He then purchased a farm of eighty acres in Clay township, upon which he has since resided. Mr. Baker was married September 20, 1860, to Martha F. Russell, a daughter of William and Elizabeth (McCandless) Russell, of Centre township. She was born July 9, 1834, and is the third in a family of five children. Four children were born to this union, as follows: Thompson M., born April 24, 1862; Elizabeth R., widow of W. L. Stoops, who has two children, Henry C., and Francis J.; Mary C., wife of O. D. Pisor, and William R., who is station agent at Harrisville. Mr. Baker enlisted in Company I, Sixty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, March 28, 1865, and was mustered out of the service July 20, of the same year. Politically, he is a Democrat, and the family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Alfred Miller, son of Robert and Hannah (Varnum) Miller, natives of Butler county, of German origin, was born in this county, March 5, 1848. He

commenced working in boyhood for his uncle, Enoch Varnum, and worked on his farm for several years, and then went into the oil fields and continued in that business until February 18, 1864. On that date he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, being discharged in June, 1865. He was wounded at the battle of the Wilderness, also at Cedar Creek. On his return from the army he purchased his present farm, and is engaged in farming, fruit growing and trucking. Mr. Miller was married September 14, 1869, to Olive Sutton, a daughter of Jesse and Mary J. Sutton, to whom were born four children, as follows: Carrie J.; Chloe B.; Laura J., and Eve E. Mrs. Miller died April 22, 1893, aged thirty-eight years. The family are members of the Methodist church, and in politics, Mr. Miller is an independent voter.

John Day was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, March 30, 1824, and is a son of John and Sarah Day, natives of the same county. His father was a blacksmith, and reared a family of twelve children, eight of whom are living, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Womer; John; Ann, wife of Robert Adams; Anthony; Sarah, wife of Levi Whitmore; Catherine, wife of Daniel Heckman; George, and Priscilla, wife of James Ogden. The subject of this sketch was educated in the common schools of his native county, and when eighteen years of age commenced life for himself as a wood-chopper in winter and a charcoal burner in the summer season. These occupations he followed for seven years, and then worked on a farm for three years. At this time he purchased a farm in Washington township, Butler county, upon which he lived until 1867, then sold it, and bought his present farm of 131 acres, in Clay township, which he has ever since made his home. Mr. Day was married February 18, 1847, to Miss Mary A. Arner, to which union were born sixteen children, eleven of whom are living, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of W. T. Reddick; Christina, wife of Philip B. Porter; Mary A., wife of Andrew McMurray; David, a resident of Harmony; J. C. F., a farmer of Clay township, born February 22, 1858, married Mary L. Whitmire, and has four children: Stella A., Samuel A., Bessie M., and Ila R.; Margaret R., wife of Levi Conn; Samuel A., a resident of West Virginia; Emma N., wife John Huggins; W. P. L., a teacher; Ida E., wife of James R. Pringle, and Peter R., who resides with his father. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Day is a Republican. He enlisted September 3, 1864, in Company K, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until mustered out of the service June 13, 1865.

Miller Hutchison was born in Oakland township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1855, son of Robert and Sarah (Miller) Hutchison, natives of this county. Robert Hutchison was a farmer, and a son of Fergus Hutchison, one of the pioneers of Butler county. He died October 30, 1866. The subject of this sketch is the only one living of a family of six children. At the age of nineteen years he engaged as a farm hand, and continued the same for some two years. He was married November 22, 1876, to Amelia B., a daughter of Jacob Brown, and then located on his present farm, which Mr. Brown had given to his daughter. It consists of ninety-three acres in Clay township, and seventy-five in Centre township. Mr. Hutchison makes a specialty of stock growing,

and is quite a successful farmer. He is the father of five children, as follows: Jacob B.; Myrtle C.; Warren E.; Barbara, deceased, and Margaret L. Mr. Hutchison and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and he is an adherent of the Republican party.

Sebastian Mershimer was born in Germany, in 1758, came to America in youth, and served in the Continental army throughout the Revolution. He afterwards located at Reading, Pennsylvania, where he worked at the wagon-maker's trade, and later removed his family to what is now Lawrence county, where he died in 1845, aged eighty-seven years. He married Catherine Wrightmeyer, and reared a family of five children, viz.: Adam; Frances, who married John Smith; Peter; Henry, and Catherine, who married Charles Campbell.

Adam Mershimer was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, in 1791, and removed with his parents to Lawrence county, where he engaged in farming. He married Catherine Stickle, and reared a family of eight children, as follows: Peter, of Lawrence county; Sebastian, of the same county; Elizabeth, wife of Amos Messimer; Susan, deceased wife of Thomas Hanna; Samuel S.; Catherine, wife of Stewart Boyd; Henry R., and Eve, deceased. Mr. Mershimer died March 15, 1865, aged seventy-four years.

Samuel S. Mershimer was born in Lawrence county, in 1829, son of Adam Mershimer, received a common school education, and commenced to learn the carpenter's trade when he was nineteen years of age, which business he followed in Lawrence county for twenty-five years. He then removed to Butler county and purchased his present homestead of seventy-five acres in Clay township, where he has since been engaged in farming, making a specialty of small fruits. Mr. Mershimer was married January 14, 1858, to Margaret Morrow, who is the mother of eight children, as follows: Clara A., deceased; James M.; George M.; Charles W.; William C.; Margaret A.; Eldora M., and Clarence D. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, and politically, Mr. Mershimer is a stanch Democrat.

Zelman R. Mershimer was born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1850, and is a son of Peter and Elizabeth (Richey) Mershimer, of that county, and a grandson of Adam Mershimer. His father is a resident of Lawrence county, and reared a family of five children as follows: Alsetha, wife of Milton Frew; Zelman R.; Henry R.; George B., and Adam E. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and was reared upon his father's farm. He afterwards worked for his father for five years, then settled upon a rented farm, which he carried on for two years. In 1881 he purchased his present homestead of 100 acres in Clay township, Butler county, located upon it and is now one of the successful farmers of the community. Mr. Mershimer was married in March, 1870, to Amanda M. Wright, a daughter of John C. Wright, of Beaver county. Eight children are the fruits of this union, five of whom are living: Lemira I.; Audley R.; Elizabeth M.; Peter V., and Leland H. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Mershimer is an ardent Democrat.

John Boozel was born in Mercer county (now Lawrence), Pennsylvania, March 8, 1831, son of William and Betsey (Wimer) Boozel, natives of Pennsyl-

vania, and of German origin. William Boozel was a son of Thomas Boozel, and followed farming all his life. The subject of this sketch commenced business life at the age of twenty-one, as a farm hand, and worked on a farm until July, 1862, when he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He participated in the battles of Second Bull Run and Chancellorsville, and was honorably discharged in April, 1863. He was united in marriage with Nancy McConnell, July 3, 1856, and out of a family of thirteen children born to this union, eleven are living, viz.: Austin W., who married Nettie Snyder; William R., who married Alice Low; Laura Ella, wife of Frank Gibson; S. Maggie, wife of Ford Christley; John H.; Bettie, wife of George Bonnie; Walter E.; Joseph W.; J. Homer; Elmer S., and Nelson B. In 1881 Mr. Boozel purchased his present homestead in Clay township, consisting of 127 acres, where he has since been engaged in farming. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a stanch Republican.

George W. Renick was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, February 22, 1860, son of William D. and Caroline (Snyder) Renick. William D. Renick is a blacksmith in Slippery Rock township. He reared a family of eight children, as follows: Jacob G.; Daniel A.; Louisa, deceased; George W.; Margaret A., wife of Melvin Hall; Adam H.; William F., and Charles E. The subject of this sketch received a common school education, and resided at home until he was twenty-nine years of age. He was married April 4, 1889, to Myrtle Sager, and has two children: Nellie C., and Evalena May. Mrs. Renick is a daughter of Benjamin Sager, of Slippery Rock township, and a member of the Presbyterian church. After his marriage Mr. Renick located on a farm of 165 acres in Clay township, where he has since resided. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religion, is an adherent of the Lutheran church.

Amos Young is a native of Butler county, born May 25, 1855, and a son of William and Mary (Brown) Young, natives of Butler county. His father was a miller by occupation, and reared a family of nine children, six of whom are living. Amos was the third in the family. When he was a child his father died, and he was taken into the family of his grandfather, Simon Young, but the latter died soon afterwards, and our subject then went to live with an uncle, whose name was also Simon Young. Here he resided until the age of fifteen years, working on the farm and attending school at intervals. At the age of fifteen he commenced to learn the stonemason's trade, and remained at that business for four years, and then engaged as a farm hand to Jacob Brown, whose daughter he subsequently married. Mr. Brown died May 4, 1891, aged seventy-seven years. Mr. Young was united in marriage to Tillie C., daughter of Jacob and Barbara Brown, November 3, 1891. He resides on a farm, formerly owned by his father-in-law, consisting of eighty-five acres, to which he has added forty-one acres. He also owns sixty-four acres in Centre township. Mr. Young is a general farmer, and devotes considerable attention to the breeding of Shorthorn Durham cattle. He and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a stanch adherent of the Republican party.

Rev. William P. Breaden was born in Raccoon township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1814, and was reared upon his father's farm. He received his

primary education in a pioneer subscription school, then entered Franklin College, New Athens, Ohio, and afterwards Allegheny Theological Seminary. He was licensed to preach by Lake Presbytery of the Associate Reformed church, in 1838, and was ordained May 11, 1843, as pastor of the Portersville and Evansburg congregations, in Butler county. He was subsequently pastor of the Fairview and West Sunbury congregations, from 1849 to 1862, when the connection between the two churches was dissolved. Mr. Breaden continued in charge of the West Sunbury church until his death, May 13, 1880. He married Miss Charlotte Kline, a daughter of Charles Kline, of Mercer county, about 1842, which union was blessed with five children, as follows: Mary C., who married Rev. E. N. McElree, D. D., of Freeport; John C.; William J.; John H., and Tillie C., wife of Perry Conway, of West Sunbury. Mr. Breaden preached the gospel in Butler county for more than forty years, and was one of the most widely known ministers in western Pennsylvania.

Rev. John H. Breaden, son of Rev. William P. Breaden, was born at West Sunbury, Butler county, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1851. He received his primary education in the public schools, then took an academic course at West Sunbury Academy, and entered Westminster College, New Wilmington, in 1870, where he was graduated in 1874. He entered the Theological Seminary, Allegheny, in the autumn of the latter year, where he took a full theological course, was licensed to preach in April, 1877, and was ordained June 11, 1878. He received a call from Oakland congregation, located near Anderson, Hancock county, West Virginia, accepted it, and remained in charge of that church until he accepted a call from Mt. Pleasant church, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, with which he remained for seven years, and was next called to take charge of the congregation at West Sunbury, over which his father was pastor for thirty-five years. Since 1887 he has been pastor of the West Sunbury church, and under his careful and judicious ministry the congregation has prospered in every way. Mr. Breaden was married August 19, 1879, to Mary A. Crawford, a daughter of W. L. Crawford, of Hancock county, West Virginia, and has three children, viz.; William L. C.; Bessie H., and Charlotte K. Mr. Breaden is an ardent Prohibitionist, and gives his earnest support to all measures which he believes are for the moral and material benefit of the community.

Horace Decker, son of Isaac and Abagail (Arnold) Decker, was born in Orange county, New York, November 25, 1821, and followed the vocation of a farmer throughout his life. His parents were Presbyterians, and reared their son in that faith. In 1845 he married Margaret Smith, a daughter of Luke Smith, of Fox Hill, now Fairmount, Morris county, New Jersey, where his parents had purchased and settled on a farm, and the following year the young couple removed to Marksborough, Warren county, and in 1848 to Sussex county, the same state. With the exception of six years spent in Middlesex county, the remaining years of his life were spent in Sussex county, where he died on his farm at Freedon, February 18, 1878. His wife survived him until March 12, 1893. They were the parents of the following children: Isaac D.; Alva D.; Eliza A.; John S.; Abagail E., who married Samuel Wilson, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; Oscar, deceased, and Irving W.

Rev. Isaac Davison Decker, eldest son of Horace and Margaret Decker, was born at Fairmount, Morris county, New Jersey, April 19, 1846. After receiving a good common school education, he attended Blair Presbyterial Academy, at Blairstown, New Jersey, from 1863 to 1865, after which he taught several terms in the public schools of Sussex and Warren counties. He matriculated at Princeton College, in 1868, where, in his junior year, he was made an editor of the college magazine, and as a senior elected class poet, also securing the English Literature prize at graduation, in 1872. He then entered Princeton Theological Seminary, where he was graduated in 1875. In 1874, having in previous vacations taught in academies and high schools of Maryland and New Jersey, he began to preach as a licentiate at Rockland, Canada, and after graduating he assisted Dr. Phraner, as local missionary, at Sing Sing, New York. At that time a classmate, Rev. T. S. Negley, having begun the organization of a church at Fairview, Butler county, and finding it necessary to return to finish his education, requested Mr. Decker to take up his unfinished work. The latter was licensed by Newton Presbytery, October 6, 1875, and began the work at Fairview and Karns City one month later. He was ordained and installed at Fairview, November 1, 1876. Before the close of that year about seventy-five members had been gathered, and a neat church built at each of the two points. On the evening of January 28, 1877, occurred the memorable gas explosion in the home of Mr. Patton, with whom Mr. Decker was boarding. Mrs. Patton received injuries from which she died, while her husband and Mr. Decker were very seriously burned, but by careful nursing both recovered. In May, 1878, he was married to Miss Kate M., a daughter of Elias Goble, of Freedon, New Jersey. She at once entered upon the work with her husband, soon becoming greatly endeared to the people on the charge, and highly esteemed in church and missionary circles throughout the Presbytery. In November, 1878, in addition to Fairview and Karns City, Mr. Decker began to supply the organization at Petrolia, where a small church was erected a few years later. In May, 1883, he took in addition the supply of a church at Martinsburg, and thus had four congregations under his charge. He continued in the work there until October, 1888, when, having received a call from Harmony church, in Newton Presbytery, New Jersey, he left his congenial charge with deep and mutual regret, removed to that place, and took up the work there which he continued nearly five years. While in charge of Harmony church he met with a heavy affliction in the death of his wife, April 8, 1892. This, followed by his mother's death the following March, led him to consider an urgent call from the West Sunbury congregation, in his old Presbytery. He finally decided to return, and did so in July, 1893, taking in addition to this charge the supplying of the North Butler church, and the vice principalship of West Sunbury Academy. Mr. Decker is one of the most popular ministers in Butler county, and during his labors in this field he has shown commendable zeal in building up the church and spreading the gospel. During his ministry of thirteen years in the oil country it was his privilege to see two churches organized, three houses of worship built, and over four hundred persons received into membership.

Robert Hockenberry was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, about 1795, received his education in a pioneer subscription school and was reared a farmer. In 1815 he married Mary Tipper, of Juniata county, to which union were born the following children: Margaret; Rebecca, who married George Ralston; John; William; Benjamin; Joseph; George, and Eliza, who married William Cranmer. The family came to Butler county and located in what was known as the Jack settlement, in Worth township, whence they removed to Cherry township, where Mr. Hockenberry died in 1848. His widow survived him until the winter of 1891-92, and died at the advanced age of ninety-three years.

John Hockenberry was born in Worth township, Butler county, in 1827, and was the eldest son of Robert and Mary Hockenberry. He grew up upon his father's farm, and learned the wagon-maker's trade with Samuel Curran, of Centreville, and worked as a journeyman for five years, and then opened a shop for himself. In 1849 he married Mary J. Christley, a daughter of John Christley, of Slippery Rock township, and went into partnership with his brother-in-law, Edwin Christley, and continued to carry on wagon-making at Centreville until 1867. In that year he purchased a farm in Cherry township, containing 130 acres, known as the Robert McCandless farm, upon which he died in June, 1871. His widow resides in Centreville. They were the parents of three children, as follows: Harvey D.; Bertram L., and Isadore L., who married Alfred Christy, of Centreville. Mr. Hockenberry was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and filled the office of steward in that denomination. Politically, he was a Democrat, and held the office of school director and other minor positions in his township at different periods.

Harvey D. Hockenberry, physician and surgeon, was born at Centreville, Butler county, October 17, 1850. He received his primary education in the public schools, and afterwards took an academic course at the West Sunbury Academy. He commenced teaching at the age of sixteen years, and taught in the public schools for ten years. In the meantime he decided to enter the medical profession, and attended lectures at the Medical Department of Wooster University, Cleveland, Ohio, and afterwards took a post graduate course at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. In the spring of 1879 he located in practice at West Sunbury, and for the past fifteen years he has continued in the active duties of his profession. Dr. Hockenberry was married in April, 1872, to Miss Mary A. Smith, a daughter of James Smith, of Cherry township, to which union have been born the following children: John B., and James A., both deceased; Ella S.; Carl M., deceased; Zoe D.; June A., deceased; Bernice; M. S. Quay, deceased, and Hazel. Dr. Hockenberry was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he was a class leader, trustee and Sabbath school superintendent down to 1890, when the celebrated Pollard dissension took place in the church, and he with the majority of the congregation withdrew. He has since been an attendant of the Presbyterian church, of West Sunbury. Dr. Hockenberry is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, of which he was president in 1893, and is also a member of the State Medical Society. Since locating at West Sunbury he has built up an extensive practice, and is one of

the well known physicians of the county. He has always been a stanch Republican, has represented his section as a delegate to the county conventions, and has taken a prominent part in political affairs.

SAMUEL DUFFORD was born in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, November 12, 1812, was reared in his native county, and there learned the gunsmith's trade. When twenty years of age he came to Butler county, and located in what is now Connoquenessing township where he worked at his trade for many years. In July, 1835, he married Margaret Wagner, a daughter of Michael Wagner, and they became the parents of the following children: Frederick; William; Susan, who married William Dufford; Anna M., who was twice married, first to Louis Heist, and afterwards to George Frederick; George Lewis; Emeline, deceased, and Maria, who married Abraham Flowers. Mr. Dufford and wife were members of the Reformed church, in which he held the office of elder. Politically, he was a Democrat, and as school director took a deep interest in the progress of education. He died on May 19, 1881; his widow died September 6, 1892.

GEORGE LEWIS DUFFORD was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, January 18, 1845, and is the youngest son of Samuel and Margaret Dufford. He learned the blacksmith's trade at Butler, where he carried on business for five years, then removed to West Sunbury, afterwards purchased a property in that borough, and is now engaged in the blacksmithing business. In 1869 he married Susan Henshew, a daughter of Eli Henshew, of Connoquenessing township, and has two children: Albert, and Carrie E. Mr. Dufford is a member of the Reformed church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He is now a member of the borough council of West Sunbury.

JOHN PRYOR was born in eastern Pennsylvanian, January 2, 1797, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1803. They settled in Clay township, where the balance of their lives was spent. John was reared in this township, and attended a pioneer subscription school, where he obtained a meager education. About 1817 he married Eleanor Means, of Muddy Creek township, and they became the parents of eight children: Eleanor, who married John Bell; John, and Thomas, both deceased; Margaret, who married John G. Christie; James; William, who died in Libby prison during the Rebellion; Samuel, deceased, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Pryor and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which denomination he held the office of trustee. In politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and filled nearly all of the township offices at different periods. His wife died in 1873; he survived her until December 7, 1887.

JAMES PRYOR, only living son of John and Eleanor (Means) Pryor, was born in what is now Clay township, Butler county, April 19, 1828. He received a common school education, and followed farming down to 1876, when he embarked in merchandising at St. Joe, but removed to West Sunbury the following year. He carried on a general store in that borough until 1886, then sold out and established a hardware store, which he has since conducted successfully. Mr. Pryor was married July 14, 1853, to Martha J. Christie, a daughter of John Christie, of Concord township, and has two children: Mylard B., and Howard C.

He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of West Sunbury, has filled all of the offices in that body, and is now an elder. In politics, he is an ardent Republican, has been justice of the peace for nine years, and has held all the other township offices excepting supervisor. He has been one of the active and enterprising citizens of the community for many years.

GEORGE WOLFORD was born in Cherry township, Butler county, November 3, 1852, son of Jacob and Lavina Wolford, and is a miller and farmer by occupation. On November 8, 1873, he married Etta Stewart, a daughter of David Stewart, of Cherry township. They are the parents of four children, as follows: Homer; Nannie; Bessie, deceased, and Charles B. In 1887 Mr. Wolford bought an interest in the Campbell Brothers flouring mill, at West Sunbury, and the firm then became Campbell & Wolford, which was changed in 1889 to J. C. Breaden & Company, but is at present known as the West Sunbury Milling Company, of which Mr. Wolford has charge. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is an earnest contributor to that organization. In politics, he is a Republican, and has been a delegate to county conventions at different times.

JAMES TURNER was born in Ireland about 1771, immigrated to America about 1792, and a few years later he came to Butler county and purchased 200 acres of land on Bear creek, in what is now Parker township. He married a Miss Woods, of Butler county, who became the mother of four children, as follows: Samuel; Rebecca, who married John Smith; Mrs. William Mapin, and William. Mr. Turner died upon his farm in 1856; his wife had died several years previous. They were members of the Seceder church, and in politics, he was a Whig. Mr. Turner was one of the first settlers of Parker township, and many of his descendants are residents of Butler county.

WILLIAM R. TURNER, youngest child of James Turner, was born in Parker township, Butler county, in 1810, attended a subscription school during the winter season, and was reared surrounded by the usual scenes of pioneer life. In 1825 he married Elizabeth Campbell, a daughter of Andrew Campbell, of Fairview township. They were the parents of the following children: Andrew L.; James W.; Isabella, who married James Kelly; John C.; Samuel C.; Nancy J., who married William Kelly; William P.; George B.; Hamilton R., and Rebeeca, who married Abraham Millinger. Mr. Turner was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Whig. He died in 1854; his widow resides in this county.

GEORGE B. TURNER, son of William R. and Elizabeth Turner, was born in Parker township, Butler county, April 23, 1846. He grew to manhood in his native township, and was married in April, 1863, to Sarah W. Gibson, a daughter of Harvey Gibson, of Parker township, to which union have been born four children, as follows: William H.; John F.; Clarence B., and Clara E. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Turner fills the office of trustee. Politically, he is a Republican, and has held every office in his township from justice of the peace to auditor. In April, 1873, he purchased the Richard Allen farm, in Concord township, consisting of 115 acres, upon which he resided until June, 1893. At that time he removed to West Sunbury, pur-

chased the George Mechling property, and is now carrying on a meat market in that borough. He is still the owner of his farm in Concord township, and is one of the prosperous business men of the community.

JOHN F. TURNER, second son of George B. and Sarah W. Turner, was born in October, 1867, received a common school education, and then attended West Sunbury Academy. He taught school for six years, and attended lectures at Baltimore Medical College, where he graduated in the spring of 1893. He was then appointed by the government hospital physician and stationed in Nevada, where he now is located. He married Emma, a daughter of Edward Graham, of West Sunbury, September 21, 1893. She died in Nevada, March 17, 1894, and her body was brought home by her husband,—the journey consuming nine days,—and was interred in the West Sunbury Presbyterian cemetery.

DAVID MCJUNKIN was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in 1778, and was a son of William McJunkin, a native of the same place. Towards the close of the Revolution his father emigrated to the United States, and settled in Plum township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. His family consisted of three sons and six daughters. The sons were William, James, and David. James removed to Ohio in 1849, and there died. In 1796 David and William came to Butler county, and each took up 400 acres of land in what is now Centre township, but William afterward returned to Allegheny county, leaving his brother as the only representative of the family in Butler county. David resided upon that land until 1830, when he purchased the property of Dr. John Thompson, in Slippery Rock township, consisting of a saw and grist mill, and an iron furnace and forge, a foundry and carding mill, and 1,300 acres of land. He operated this property up to his death, in April, 1844. Mr. McJunkin was a soldier in the War of 1812, and is one of the well remembered pioneers of the county. Prior to purchasing the Thompson property he built an extensive tannery in Centre township, which ultimately became the property of his son William. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of Aaron Moore, of which union were born the following children: William, born in 1800, died in infancy; Susannah, born December 4, 1802, deceased wife of David McCandless; William, born February 26, 1805, who died upon the homestead in Centre township; Alexander M., born in March, 1807, a Presbyterian minister, who died at Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 1852; Josiah, born February 25, 1811, a miller in Mercer county; Sarah A., born in 1814, married Rev. William McMichael, of Clarion county; Isaiah, born July 16, 1816, a physician, who died in Chicago in 1865; Ebenezer, one of the oldest attorneys of the Butler bar; Mary E., born March 14, 1824, married Dr. O. D. Palmer, who died in New Brighton, Beaver county. The widow of David McJunkin survived until October, 1845.

WILLIAM MCJUNKIN, second son of David and Elizabeth (Moore) McJunkin, was born February 26, 1805, in Centre township, Butler county. He obtained a meager education in the pioneer log school of his neighborhood, and after attaining his majority he succeeded to his father's tannery business and farm, which he conducted until his death, April 4, 1850. He was a prominent man of his time, and was commissioned as colonel in the State Militia. He was an active member of the Butler Presbyterian church, and was an elder in that body for many

years. Mr. McJunkin married Priscilla, a daughter of Andrew Christie, of Concord township, and their children were as follows: Elvina, who married E. L. Varnum; Naomi, who married Washington Bovard; Angeline, deceased wife of John Mitchell; Abigail, who married John C. Moore, and died in 1860; Eveline, wife of Rev. Samuel Kerr, of Harrisville; J. David, attorney at law, Butler; Curtis A., deceased; Sylvester, and Imelda, both of whom are dead.

JOHN ELLIOTT was born in the Territory of Indiana, in November, 1793, and was brought by his parents to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1796. They settled in Centre township, where John grew to maturity, inured to the hardships and trials of pioneer life. He afterwards purchased a homestead of 150 acres, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1877. When his parents located in Centre township there were no houses on the site of Butler, and only a few pioneer families within the present limits of the county. He married Margaret Scott, a daughter of William Scott, of Westmoreland county, who became the mother of the following children: William, deceased; Prudence, who married Lemuel Davis; Scott M., deceased; James; Mary, who married James Badger; John, deceased; Huston, deceased; Hezekiah, deceased; Isaiah N.; Nancy M.; Harvey, and George, deceased. Mr. Elliott was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and an adherent of the Democratic party.

JOHN A. ELLIOTT, was born in Centre township, Butler county, March 25, 1859, and is a grandson of John Elliott. He received a common school education; has filled the office of school director, and has always taken a deep interest in the growth of the public school system. Politically, he is a Democrat, has filled several township offices, and was elected a county auditor in 1893. Mr. Elliott married Belle Michael, a daughter of William Michael, of Butler township. Nine children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Bertha H.; Amos M.; Florence B.; John P.; Blanche; Ford; Roy W., deceased; Homer, and Elgie.

CHRISTIAN FLEEGER was a native of Hesse, Germany, and came with a Hessian cavalry regiment to Philadelphia during the Revolutionary war, deserted at that city and found his way to the American army. He was a shoemaker by trade, and at the close of the war located at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, there married a Miss Byerly, and subsequently removed to Westmoreland county, whence he came to what is now Centre township, Butler county, in 1797, where he resided until his death, about 1836. His children were as follows: John; Jacob; Benjamin; Christian; Peter; Catherine, who married Jacob Brown; Mary, who married Rudolph Bortmass, and Elizabeth, who became the wife of John Slator.

JACOB FLEEGER, second son of Christian Fleeger, was born in Lancaster county, January 17, 1785, and came to Centre township, Butler county, with his father in 1797. He married Catherine Whitmire, a native of Berks county, about 1807. He died July 5, 1851; his wife died January 10, 1863. They were the parents of seventeen children: John; Peter; Christian; Jacob; David; Solomon; Elizabeth; Daniel; Henry; Francis; Mary, wife of Daniel Heck; Abraham; Amy; Margaret; Andrew B.; Catherine and Rosanna, who married Robert Donaldson. Mr. Fleeger cleared up a farm in Centre township, upon which

he resided until his death. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, a Democrat.

Peter Fleeger, second son of Jacob and Catherine Fleeger, was born on the homestead in Centre township, March 10, 1810, and grew to manhood under the parental roof. He afterwards settled upon a farm in Concord township, which he cleared and improved, and where he spent the balance of his life. He married Mary, a daughter of Jacob Rider, and their family consisted of twelve children: Sarah, who died in infancy; Samuel, deceased; William B. of Concord township; George W., of Butler; Margaret, deceased wife of Sylvanus Aggas; Catherine, wife of John T. Wick; Mary M.; John N., of Forward township; Isaiah D., of Concord township; Sarah Belle, wife of W. H. Wick; Annie, wife of M. J. Neyman, of Oakland township, and Peter A., of Concord township. Mrs. Fleeger died March 11, 1876; her husband survived until August 29, 1889.

Joseph Galbraith, a descendant of the old and prominent family of that name in Butler county, was born in Centre township, Butler county, August 23, 1817, being the eldest of eight children. He was the only son of Alexander White and Rachel (McCartney) Galbraith, and grandson of John and Annie (White) Galbraith, who came to Butler county, from Huntingdon county, in 1797. His father, Alexander White Galbraith, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, May 26, 1786, and died in Ohio, May 2, 1855. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. Joseph also took a warm interest in military matters, was for years a member of the Butler militia company, and was severely wounded while out with his company, by the accidental discharge of a musket. Joseph Galbraith was reared upon the homestead farm and received his education in the district school and at Witherspoon Institute, Butler. He was a great student, made the best use of his opportunities, excelled in mathematics and became well grounded in sacred and general literature. His reputation as a mathematician was such that students, as well as instructors, came from considerable distances to avail themselves of his assistance, which he always cheerfully extended. He was a constant and attentive reader of the bible, and became noted for his knowledge of that sacred book and his ability to quote it readily and accurately. He was a very industrious and intelligent farmer, and, while making that his main pursuit, he developed superior mechanical ability, and was an expert in the use of tools. Mr. Galbraith was married November 11, 1841, to Jane Earley, a native of Londonderry, Ireland, and the following children were born to this union: Elizabeth Ann, widow of the late John Flinn of Pittsburg; Amy Rachel, who died in childhood; Matilda M., wife of William Fowler, of Pittsburg; John J., a resident of Williamsport, Pennsylvania; Mary J., wife of Richard S. Stephens, of Pittsburg; Elvira and Nancy, twins, the first named being the wife of David Myers, of Pittsburg, and the latter the wife of Senator William Flinn, one of Pittsburg's most prominent citizens, and William Alexander, of St. Louis, Missouri. The family removed from Butler county to Pittsburg in 1860. Several years later, his wife having in the meantime died, Joseph Galbraith returned to Butler county, and spent most of his remaining years at West Sunbury. He died July 2, 1882, while on a visit at the home of his daughter in St Louis.

Mr. Galbraith's intelligence and amiable character secured him the warm friendship of professional and other men of culture. He was a life-long member of the United Presbyterian church, and continued deeply interested in the affairs of that denomination until his death.

McCandless Family—The progenitor of the McCandless family in Butler county, was John McCandless, a native of Ireland, who immigrated to America at an early date, and settled in Plum township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, where the remainder of his life was spent. Four of his sons, John, George, James and William, all natives of Ireland, were among the early settlers of Centre township, Butler county, and from them have descended the McCandless family of this section of the State. Many of their posterity have held important public positions, and ranked among the successful business and public men of their times.

John McCandless, eldest son of John McCandless, Sr., was the first sheriff of Butler county, and died in 1810. He settled in Centre township in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, married Mary A. Smith, and reared a family of six children, as follows: Mrs. Mary Turner; Mrs. Jane Thompson; Elizabeth; Mrs. Nancy Patterson; John S., and George.

George McCandless, second son of John McCandless, Sr., was the first of the family who settled in Butler connty. He came to what is now Centre township about 1795–96, built a cabin and commenced a small clearing. He afterwards married Mary Fish, and their first child, John, was born in the cabin home, August 24, 1798, the first white male child born in the township. They reared quite a large family and have left numerous descendants in western Pennsylvania.

James McCandless, third son of John McCandless, Sr., married Margaret Moore, and resided in this township down to his death, in 1840. His wife survived him until 1847, and many of their descendants are still residents of the township.

William McCandless, fourth son of John McCandless, Sr., was born in Ireland, October 20, 1777, and came with his father to Allegheny county, whence he removed to what is now Centre township, Butler county, where he resided until his death, in 1850. In April, 1801, he married Nancy Fish, who was born June 11, 1783. She survived him until 1871, a period of twenty-one years. They were the parents of the following children: John F., born March 22, 1802; Nathan F., born December 28, 1803; Jane C., born January 15, 1806; Nancy, born November 1, 1808; Mary A., born May 18, 1810; Robert W., born November 22, 1812; Josiah, born March 6, 1816; Anderson, born May 26, 1818; Jemima, born January 16, 1820; Porter, born January 22, 1823, and William C., all of whom were born on the old homestead, and all dead except the youngest.

William C. McCandless, youngest son of William and Nancy McCandless, is the only survivor of his father's family. He was born November 7, 1825, grew up on the homestead and received a common school education. He has always resided upon the farm settled by his father in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, and has taken a deep interest in local educational and political

matters. He is a member of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, and is an ardent supporter of the Republican party. Mr. McCandless was married February 2, 1865, to Amelia, a daughter of William S. Bingham, of Centreville, Butler county. She is the mother of the following children: Mary A.; William B., Warren F., deceased; Origen G.; Olive J.; Florence J.; Jennings C.; John B., and one that died in early youth.

Anderson McCandless, son of William and Nancy McCandless, was born upon the McCandless homestead, in Centre township, May 26, 1818, received his education in the pioneer subscription schools, and followed farming until his death. He was married June 25, 1846, to Mary Carlin, a daughter of William Carlin, of Lawrence county, to which union were born nine children, five of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Porter A.; Hannah J.; Carlin W.; Kinsey, deceased; Joseph T., who resides on the old homestead, and Mary E. Mr. McCandless and wife were members of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, and took a deep interest in the growth and prosperity of that denomination. In early life he was a Whig, but subsequently united with the Democratic party. He filled several of the minor offices in his township, and was connected with the State Militia, during his young manhood.

Porter A. McCandless, eldest in the family of Anderson and Mary McCandless, was born May 28, 1847, on the old homestead in Centre township. He received a good common school education, and was reared upon his father's farm. In 1872, he engaged in merchandising at Unionville, but sold out and opened a store at Greece City, which he also disposed of, and then purchased his present homestead in 1876. Mr. McCandless was married December 15, 1875, to Laura C. Eckert, a daughter of John N. Eckert, of Lawrence county. Eight children have been the fruits of this union, as follows: Mary F., who died at the age of fourteen; Hannah E.; Estella J.; Laura C.; Anderson L.; John D.; Sarah H., and Margurette. The parents are members of Unionville Presbyterian church, in which body Mr. McCandless holds the office of trustee. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry.

John F. McCandless, eldest in the family of William and Nancy (Fish) McCandless, was born upon the McCandless homestead in Centre township, Butler county, March 22, 1802. He lived with his parents until he was thirty years of age, and in the year 1832 was married to Nancy Hays, a daughter of William Hays. Nine children were born of this union, as follows: Mary J., wife of James Findley, of Kansas; Nancy A., wife of John J. Miller; Emeline, wife of James S. Glenn; William H.; John M., deceased; Jennings C.; Sarah B.; Porter, and Minerva, both of whom died in early youth. Mr. McCandless and wife were life-long members of the Presbyterian church, in which he held the office of trustee for several terms, and was also one of the building committee of the old Muddy Creek church. In politics, he was an ardent Republican, and filled several township offices at different periods.

William H. McCandless, eldest son of John F. McCandless, was born upon the homestead in Centre township, December 21, 1840, received a public school education, and worked upon the home farm until the breaking out of the Rebellion. He enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Penn-

sylvania Volunteers, for the nine months service, and participated in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville. He served his full term, and then returned to his home, where he remained until August, 1864, when he again enlisted, in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, in which he served with the rank of first lieutenant, until the close of the war. Returning home in June, 1865, he resumed his duties upon the farm, and has since continued in agricultural pursuits. He was married March 8, 1866, to Hattie Glenn, a daughter of William Glenn, of Concord township, and has five children: Carrie B.; Milton L.; Minnie R.; Myrta, and Everett.

NATHAN F. MCCANDLESS was born December 28, 1803, in Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, and was the second son of William and Nancy (Fish) McCandless, pioneers of that township. He was reared upon the homestead, and at the age of thirty his father gave him 100 acres of the home farm, which he subsequently cleared and improved. He resided upon this place for more than sixty years, dying January 31, 1891. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and a ruling elder in that body for many years. In 1875 he was a prime mover in the erection of the Unionville church, and gave liberally of his means toward that purpose. In early life a Whig, he joined the Republican party upon its formation, and filled the office of justice of the peace for thirty years. Mr. McCandless married Elizabeth, daughter of John Thompson. She died in 1856, the mother of the following children: Nancy J., deceased wife of William Wilson; Martha, wife of S. R. Thompson; Lavina, deceased wife of Rev. Loyal Hays; Josiah, who served in Company E, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in 1863; Jefferson W., of Centre township; Isaiah J., of Butler; Mary E., deceased wife of John L. Lee, and Clarinda M., wife of J. N. Thompson, of Brady township. Mr. McCandless married for his second wife Delia Hockenberry *nee* Mitchell, who bore him three children: Nathan F., deceased; Annetta M., wife of James Ramsey, of Butler township, and Nathan W., of McKean county. He was one of the leading farmers of Centre township, was extensively engaged in settling estates, and a progressive, public-spirited man.

JOHN M. MCCANDLESS, son of James and Margaret (Moore) McCandless, was born in Centre township, Butler county, in 1806, upon the farm settled and cleared by his father. He attended the subscription schools of pioneer days, and became by self-application a very well educated man, and filled most of the township offices, being justice of the peace ten years, and also jury commissioner. He married Nancy McCandless, a daughter of William McCandless, of Centre township, to which union were born twelve children, as follows: Margaret J., who married Lemon Dean, of Lawrence county; Josiah; James; Nancy A.; Abigail; Jemima; Elizabeth; Abner; Nancy, who married Calvin Robb; Mary E., who married Leonard Shannon, of Franklin township; William L., and one that died in early youth. The only survivors of this family are Abner, Nancy, Mary E., and William L. Mr. McCandless was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith, June 2, 1886. His wife died in July, 1894. He was one of the most intelligent farmers of the community, and always took a decided interest in religious and educational affairs.

William L. McCandless, youngest in the family of John M. McCandless, was born upon the homestead in Centre township, Butler county, and was reared and educated in his native township. He married Miss Mary J. Pollock, of Centre township, and is the father of seven children, as follows: Birdie A.; Iona G.; Ethel M.; infant daughter, deceased; Arthur C., deceased; William D., and Leslie J. Mr. McCandless, like his father, is an ardent Democrat, and is a stanch supporter of the measures and principles of his party.

Thomas Smith was a native of Virginia, who settled in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and in 1796 removed to what is now Summit township, Butler county, locating near the site of Bonny Brook. He remained at that point for eighteen years, was one of the first tax collectors in the county, and took an active interest in public affairs. He was married in Virginia, to a Miss Cunningham, a relative of the Cunninghams who donated a part of the land which now comprises the borough of Butler. His family consisted of three sons and three daughters, as follows: Adam; John; Charles; Ruth; Cynthia, and Jane. About 1814 the family removed to Indiana, where Mr. Smith died in 1835.

Adam Smith, eldest son of Thomas Smith, was a native of Rockingham county, Virginia, came with his parents to what is now Summit township, in 1796, and removed with them to Indiana. In 1830 he returned to Butler county and settled in Centre township, upon the land where his son Washington P. now resides. He cleared a farm of 200 acres, improved it with good buildings and resided there until his death, in 1869. He married Agnes Wallace, a daughter of Benjamin Wallace, one of the pioneers of Centre township, who settled upon the land afterwards owned by his son-in-law, and now the property of his grandson. Their family consisted of six sons and one daughter, viz.: John; Washington P.; Milton, deceased; Harvey; Benjamin, deceased; Thomas B., and Margaret, deceased. His wife died in 1866; he survived her three years. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican.

Washington Perry Smith, eldest son of Adam and Agnes (Wallace) Smith, was born December 10, 1821, in Harrison county, Indiana, and removed with his parents to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1830, where he grew to manhood. He received a limited education, but was a student in boyhood, and thus became self educated. He studied surveying under David Dougal, of Butler, and also learned the carpenter's trade, which business he followed from 1843 to 1850. In the latter year he entered the employ of the Brady's Bend Iron Company, as superintendent of the building department, filled that position for sixteen years, and was then appointed superintendent of furnaces and railroads, which he occupied until the company suspended, in 1873. He then returned to the homestead in Centre township, where he has since been engaged in farming. Mr. Smith has been an active worker in the Republican party since its organization, has held the office of school director for sixteen years, and has always manifested a laudable interest in the progress of the public schools. He was married in 1848, to Harriet, a daughter of Charles Thompson, of Massachusetts. She died in 1850, leaving one child, who died in early youth. His second wife was Emeline Thompson, a sister of his first wife, to whom have been born five children, as

Thos R Hoon

follows: Harriet N., wife of John N. Allison; Ada, wife of Warren Albert; Carrie, wife of Everett Ralston; Margaret, wife of Robert Whitmire, and Mary. In early life Mr. Smith was identified with the Masonic order, but has taken no interest in that fraternity for many years. He has been one of the enterprising citizens of Centre township throughout his residence in Butler county.

James Allison, a native of Ireland, first settled in Maryland, and came to Centre township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1802. He purchased 300 acres of land, and cleared a farm, a portion of which is now in possession of his grandson, John Allison, the old homestead being owned by O. D. Thompson. Mr. Allison married a Miss Thompson, and his family were as follows: Frank; William; Robert; Margaret, who married James Phillips, and Ellen, who married Henry Thomas, all of whom are dead. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, was quite prominent in church affairs, and resided upon his farm down to his death.

Robert Allison, third son of James Allison, was born in Maryland, in 1799, and came with his parents to Butler county at the age of three years. Here he grew to manhood, and spent the remainder of his life, dying upon the old homestead in Centre township, in 1883. He filled many of the township offices, and was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church throughout his life. Mr. Allison married Jane, a daughter of Charles Cochran, of Virginia. Their family consisted of the following children: Nancy, who married John Campbell; Mary, who married W. D. McCandless; Lydia E., who married J. E. Russell; Sarah E., who became the wife of Alexander Blain; Thomas C., who enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died at Belle Plain, Virginia; William, of Centre township, and John N. Mrs. Allison survived her husband two years, dying in 1885.

John N. Allison, youngest child of Robert and Jane Allison, was born upon the homestead, in Centre township, December 26, 1848. He was educated in the public schools and at Witherspoon Institute, and taught school for six years. Being reared a farmer, he selected that as a vocation, and has followed it up to the present. He was married in 1872, to Harriet N., a daughter of Washington P. Smith, of Centre township, and is the father of six children, as follows: Perry C.; Carrie O.; Robert P.; Ella J.; Wesley L., and Mary E. Mr. Allison is a stanch Republican, has filled the offices of school director and township auditor, the latter for twelve years, and was elected county auditor in 1893. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is a trustee in the Holyoke congregation.

William Christie was one of the early settlers of Butler county. He was born in Ireland in 1765, came with his parents to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in early boyhood, and there grew to maturity. About the year 1778, while he and an elder brother were hunting for his father's cattle in the woods, they were surprised by Indians. His brother fled, pursued by the latter, who upon their return told William they did not capture his brother. They took their prisoner to their camp, and there produced a scalp, which he recognized as that of his brother, whom the savages had killed and scalped. William was held

a captive for eighteen months, when the Indians exchanged him for a few gallons of whiskey, which in this case proved of some substantial benefit. William Christie was one of a family of three brothers and one sister. His brother Andrew settled in Butler county, upon the site of Greece City. About 1800 William came to Butler county and entered 200 acres of land in what is now Concord township, upon the head waters of Connoquenessing creek, built a cabin and lived upon this tract for several years. He then returned to Westmoreland county, leaving his son John in charge of the farm. He came back again in 1824, and resided with his son in Concord township until his death. He was one of the early school teachers of Westmoreland and Butler counties, and made education one of his particular hobbies. He was an elder of the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. He married Sarah Irwin, who became the mother of three sons and one daughter, as follows: John; Robert, who was drowned in early manhood; William, who located in Venango county, and there died, and Betsey, who married John McClain, of Westmoreland county. Mr. Christie died at the home of his son John, in Concord township, in 1848; his wife died in 1823.

John Christie, eldest son of William and Sarah Christie, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1796. In 1818 he took charge of his father's farm in Concord township, upon which the latter had settled in 1800, and devoted the balance of his life to clearing and improving it. He possessed a good education, and was one of the pioneer school teachers of Butler county. Politically, he was one of the leading Democrats of his time, and filled many of the minor township offices. In religious faith, he was a Presbyterian. Mr. Christie married Margaret, a daughter of Capt. John Guthrie, a veteran of the Revolution. She was a native of Westmoreland county, and became the mother of nine children, viz.: Sarah, who married Johnson Timblin; Mary; William A.; John G., of Concord township; Eliza, wife of John Anderson; Nancy, deceased; Martha, wife of James Pryor; Ellen, and Oliver, of Kansas. Mr. Christie died in 1861; his widow survived him ten years, dying in 1871.

William A. Christie, eldest son of John and Margaret Christie, was born in Butler county, January 13, 1823, and received a public school education. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-six years of age, and then commenced farming upon a part of the homestead place. In 1857 he purchased a farm in Centre township, resided upon it for thirty years, and then retired from active life, locating at Unionville, where he expects to spend his remaining years. Mr. Christie has been an active member of the Republican party since early manhood, filled the office of justice of the peace for ten years, and that of county commissioner for three years. He has been an elder of the Presbyterian church for thirty years, and has always given liberally of his means towards every worthy object. In 1849 he married Sarah J., a daughter of James McJunkin, to which union were born six children, four of whom are living, viz.: James L., a physician of Petersville; Mary L., wife of Dr. Albert Holman, of Unionville; William M., and Henry C., both residents of Baldwin City, Kansas. Mrs. Christie died July 17, 1887, at the home of her son William M., in Kansas, where her remains were interred. He was again

married in 1889, to Mrs. Kesiah J. McCandless, a daughter of John S. McCandless, whose father was the first sheriff of Butler county. Mr. Christie is one of the leading citizens of his township, and is a man of progressive ideas and commendable public spirit.

Dr. Albert Holman was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, August 19, 1853, upon the site of the first house erected in Franklin township, son of Joseph and Nancy (Neely) Holman. His grandfather, Joseph Holman, Sr., was one of the early settlers of Franklin township, Allegheny county. Our subject received his primary education in the public schools and afterwards attended Sharpsburg Academy. He then learned the carpenter's trade, which business he followed for six years. In 1878 he commenced the study of medicine with his brother, Dr. J. A. Holman, and located in practice at Unionville, Butler county, in 1880, as assistant to his brother. He graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1881, and formed a partnership with his brother, which continued until the removal of the latter to Allegheny City, one year afterwards. In 1890 Dr. Holman opened a drug store at Unionville, and in 1893 he purchased the general store of M. H. McCandless, which he carries on in connection with his profession. He was appointed postmaster at Unionville in 1893, and is still filling that position. He is one of the leading Democrats of his locality, and takes a prominent part in local campaigns. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M. In 1881 he married Mary L., a daughter of W. A. Christie, and has three children, viz.: Nanny B., Florence R., and Ralph McJ. Dr. Holman is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, enjoys a lucrative practice, stands well among his professional brethren, and is one of the leading citizens of his township.

Henry Hoon was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, five miles north of Harrisburg, and was of German extraction. In 1818 he settled in Oakland township, Butler county, purchasing 400 acres of land, upon which he made his home down to his death. He was twice married, his first wife being Kate Thomas, a native of New Jersey, but at the time of her marriage a resident of Dauphin county. She was the mother of two children: John, and Elizabeth, who married James Turk. His second wife bore him the following children: James; Henry; Samuel; William, and Anthony, all of whom are dead except Anthony, who lives upon the old homestead in Oakland township. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church, and resided in this county until their death.

John Hoon, eldest son of Henry and Kate (Thomas) Hoon, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, in 1798, and there learned the tanner's trade. He came with his parents to Butler county in 1818, and at the age of twenty-five engaged as a teamster between Pittsburg and Erie. In 1832 he settled upon the farm in Centre township, where his son Thomas R. now lives, and spent the remaining years of his life in farming. He was one of the leading Democrats of his township, held nearly all the township offices at different periods, and was lieutenant in the old State Militia. He was one of the early members of the United Presbyterian church of Butler, and an elder in that body for many years. He married Nancy B. Rainey, a daughter of Thomas M. and Sidney (McKit-

trick) Rainey, who bore him the following children: Margaret J., who married Michael Thompson; Catherine, deceased wife of Dickson Beighley; Mary E., wife of Philip Seibert; Agnes, deceased; Maria, who married Robert Gerrard; Harriet, who became the wife of Isaac Conant; Thomas R.; George H., deceased; John C.; Nelson, and Isaiah M. Mr. Hoon died July 31, 1864, and his widow, August 1, 1865.

Thomas R. Hoon, son of John Hoon, was born December 3, 1835, in Centre township, Butler county, and was reared and educated in his native township. He was employed as a teamster until 1860, then went to Oil Creek, Venango county, and engaged in the oil business. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served his full term; he then re enlisted in Company I, Sixty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, participating in the following engagements: South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness, and the closing scenes around Richmond, ending with the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. After being mustered out he returned to the old homestead, where he has since been engaged in farming. He married Sarah J., a daughter of David Jones, of Franklin township, to whom have been born seven children, as follows: George H., deceased; Mary; William C., deceased; John R.; Nancy B.; Henrietta, and Lina. Mr. Hoon is a member of John Randolph Post, G. A. R., also of the Patrons of Husbandry, and both he and wife are connected with the United Presbyterian church. He is a Republican, in politics, and has filled most of the township offices. He is the owner of 300 acres of well improved land, and is one of the progressive, enterprising farmers of his township.

James Thompson was born in Ireland in 1778, there married Sarah Gilliland, and immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and thence to Butler county, early in the present century. He purchased a farm in what is now Franklin township, subsequently removed to Beaver county, and then returned to Butler county, and bought a tract of 600 acres of land in Cherry township. Here he cleared a farm, made substantial improvements, and resided upon it down to his death, in 1861. He was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. To James and Sarah Thompson were born twelve children, as follows: Mary A.; Jane, and Sarah, all of whom are dead; Elizabeth; Moses; Arabella; James, deceased; Minerva; Matilda, and John, the last two of whom are deceased; Emeline, and Andrew, deceased.

Moses Thompson, eldest son of James and Sarah (Gilliland) Thompson, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1814, and was reared and educated in Butler and Beaver counties. In August, 1832, he came to Butler county from Beaver, and has since resided in this county. On February 19, 1833, he married Jane Thompson, a daughter of Anthony Thompson, of Centre township, to whom have been born the following children: Elizabeth A., wife of Henry Whitmire; Sarah, deceased; Anthony; William H., deceased; Josiah M., and James M. Mr. Thompson was a justice of the peace for ten years, and held most of the other township offices. In politics, he was in early life a Whig, and since the formation of the Republican party he has been an adherent of that

organization. He is now retired from active life, and resides in the borough of Butler. He is a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Anthony Thompson, eldest son of Moses and Jane Thompson, was born in Centre township, Butler county, May 5, 1838, and has always followed farming. He received a good common school education, and since attaining his majority he has filled nearly all of the township offices. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religion, he is an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Thompson was married September 20, 1860, to Elizabeth A., daughter of William Russell, of Centre township. Six children have been the fruits of this union, as follows: Moses G.; Elizabeth A.; Martha J., deceased; Maggie A.; William R., deceased, and Anthony Robert. His present homestead was settled by Simon Young, Sr.; was bought by Moses Thompson fifty years ago, and was purchased by Anthony Thompson from his father twenty-three years ago, since which time it has been his permanent home.

Benjamin Johnston, was a native of Down county, Ireland, and came to America about 1794. He afterwards settled in Jackson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased 150 acres of land, which he cleared and improved. He resided upon this farm until his death, which occurred about 1858. His family were as follows: Joseph; Wilson; John; William; Jesse; Cynthia, who married John McGrew; Jane, who married Jesse Miller; Nancy, who married John Wallace; Mary Ann, who married Joshua Davis, and Eliza, who married a Mr. Young. Mr. Johnston was an elder in the United Presbyterian church for many years, and was a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Jesse Johnston, fifth son of Benjamin Johnston, was born on the homestead in Jackson township, Butler county, July 7, 1820, and learned the blacksmith's trade at Zelienople. He followed his trade for a few years at Portersville, but in 1850 he removed to Zelienople and engaged in farming in Jackson township. In 1852 he located in Jefferson township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. In 1862 he returned to Butler county and purchased the old Johnston homestead of 214 acres, in Centre township, where he died, October 17, 1865. He was a Democrat, in politics, and was one of the early constables of Portersville. For many years he was an elder in the United Presbyterian church. He married Sarah J., a daughter of Joseph Allen, of Zelienople, and of the ten children born to this union, eight grew to maturity, as follows: Thornley, of Centre township; Joseph A., who died in 1871; Stephen A.; Martha J., who married Calvin Stevenson; John H., of Centre township; Mary A., deceased; James R., of Forward township; Charles C., of Centre township; Rosanna, wife of A. H. Campbell, and George B. McC., deceased.

Thornley C. Johnston, eldest son of Jesse and Sarah J. (Allen) Johnston, was born at Portersville, Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 23, 1842, and lived with his parents until his majority. He received a common school education, and afterwards attended Curry Institute, Pittsburg. He then returned to his father's home and taught school for two winters. After his father's death he remained on the homestead until 1870, in which year he married Arabella M. Walker, a daughter of William Walker, of Centre township, and located upon his present farm. To this union have been born seven children, as follows:

Jessie A.; Clara L.; Mary M.; Clarence W.; Lulu M.; Alma S., and Albert L. Mr. Johnston is an elder in the United Presbyterian church of Butler. In politics, he is an ardent Democrat, and is one of the most intelligent and progressive farmers of his township.

Daniel Heck, Sr., was born in Lorraine, Germany, September 13, 1813, son of Daniel Heck, a native of the same place, who came to Butler county in 1828, where he resided until his death. Daniel came here with his parents, who settled in Prospect, where he remained about one year, and then began working at the cabinet-making business in Butler, removed two years later to Unionville, and carried on there for about five years. He then settled upon his present homestead in Centre township, where he has since resided. Mr. Heck has been twice married. First to Elizabeth Rose, a daughter of John Rose, of Centre township, who bore him the following children: Daniel A., a merchant of Butler; Mary A., who married Philip Gruver; Martha, who married John D. Albert; Margaret; Rachel, who married John Hyle; John C., deceased; Jacob A.; Presley J., and James W. His second wife was Mrs. Mary Gold, a daughter of Jacob Fleeger, to which union were born four children, as follows: Clara; Emma; George B. Mc., and Elizabeth. Mr. Heck is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the Lutheran church.

John Badger was born in Derry county, Ireland, in 1782, immigrated to the United States in 1822, and settled in Clinton county, New York. He located in Butler county about 1829, and purchased a farm of 200 acres in Centre township, which he cleared and improved. He died upon his farm August 22, 1877; his wife died in 1869. They were married in Ireland, and her maiden name was Isabella Hudson. Eleven children were the fruits of this union, whose names are as follows: Eliza, who married John Thompson; Mary, who married Jacob Boyd; James; John, deceased; Rosanna, who married David Cameron; William, and Nancy, both deceased; Matilda, who married William Thorn; Jane, who married William Colbert; Margaret, who became the wife of George Shaffer, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Badger and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

James Badger, eldest son of John and Isabella Badger, was born in Ireland, in 1813, and came to Butler county with his parents when he was about sixteen years of age. He has resided in this county sixty-five years, and has watched its development from a comparative wilderness to its present well improved and prosperous condition. He was married June 10, 1840, to Mary Elliott, a daughter of John Elliott, of Centre township, and has four living children, as follows: Angeline, wife of Francis O'Donnell; Margaret B.; Isaiah, and Matilda, wife of Presley Elliott. The deceased are: John; William H.; James; Mary E.; Milton, and Florence. Mr. Badger is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he has always been a Democrat. He is residing upon the homestead settled by his father in 1829.

Jacob Rider was born in York county, Pennsylvania, in 1787, grew to manhood in his native county, and then removed to Allegheny county, where he married Sarah Bright, a daughter of Michael Bright, of that county. He came to Butler county in 1830, and purchased the present Rider homestead of 200

acres, in Centre township, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1859. His widow survived until 1866. They were members of the English Lutheran church, in which denomination Mr. Rider filled the office of elder for several years. In politics, he was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and filled many of the township offices at different periods, among them school director, being very earnest in his efforts in behalf of education. Jacob and Sarah Rider were the parents of nine children, as follow: Michael, who was shot and killed while hunting, in 1839; Mary, who married Peter Fleeger; Christopher; Jacob; John S.; Samuel B.; David; Margaret who married Peter Whitmire; Sarah, and George, all of whom are dead except Samuel B., Margaret, and George.

Samuel B. Rider was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 29, 1826, and came with his parents to Butler county when four years of age. He remained on the homestead farm until his marriage to Catherine Byers, June 5, 1851. She was a daughter of Daniel Byers, of Centre township, and is the mother of the following children: Sarah J., deceased, who married Redick McCandless; Lorenzo; Orestes C.; Samuel A., deceased; George A.; Harriet A., wife of Edward Graham; Laura A., wife of Calvin Stevenson; Olive E., wife of John Albert; Jessie V., deceased; U. S. and Carrie. Mr. Rider received a good public school education, and taught for six terms in Centre and Oakland townships. In August, 1864, he enlisted in Battery A, Sixth Heavy Artillery, attached to General Auger's Division, Twenty-second Army Corps, and served until his discharge, June 18, 1865. Most of his service was at Washington, where his battery assisted in the defence of the Capitol. He also did guard duty on the Orange and Alexandria railroad. Mr. Rider is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director for several terms, also that of auditor, overseer of the poor and road commissioner. He is a member of the G. A. R., and is an adherent of the English Lutheran church.

Orestes C. Rider was born upon the homestead farm in Centre township, October 21, 1854, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. On October 22, 1879, he married Emeline Sanderson, a daughter of Philip Sanderson, of Clay township, and is the father of five children, as follows: Homer C.; Celia C.; Alvin L.; Elmer, and Leda E., deceased.

Ulysses S. Rider was born in Centre township, upon the homestead farm, March 23, 1869, received a common school education, and has followed agriculture as a vocation. He was married April 21, 1891, to Clara C. Hock, daughter of Conrad Hock, of Franklin township, and has one child, Charles D.

George Rider, youngest son of Jacob and Sarah Rider, was born in Centre township, Butler county, March 24, 1833, was reared upon his father's farm, and received his education in the public schools. On April 26, 1855, he married Mary A., a daughter of Jacob Rumbaugh, of Centre township. She died May 16, 1890, having borne him a family of eight children, as follows: Margaret L., wife of Harrison Miller; Sarah B., wife of Andrew Baker; Olive B., deceased; Emma E.; Mary E., wife of Jacob Christley; Maria, wife of Orin A. Hutchison; Elsie J., and one that died in infancy. Mr. Rider is a member of the Lutheran church, and an elder in that organization. Politically, he is an

ardent Republican, has filled the office of school director and several other positions of trust in his native township.

JOHN R. POLLOCK was born in Down county, Ireland, April 2, 1812, and immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1832, where he worked for the firm of May & Andrew, of Pittsburg, for ten years. He then came to Butler county, and purchased a farm in Centre township, upon which he resided down to his death, February 11, 1893. Mr. Pollock was twice married, his first wife being Mary Black, and his second wife, Mary Blain. He was the father of thirteen children, two of whom died in infancy. The names of the others are as follows: Agnes, who married Alfred Aggas; Martha; Alexander; William; Maggie; James A.; Lizzie; Mary; Isaiah N.; John, and Thomas. Of these Martha, William, Maggie, and James A., are dead. Mr. Pollock was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Democrat. He held several of the offices in his township at different periods.

ALEXANDER POLLOCK was born February 27, 1848, upon the homestead farm in Centre township, and is the oldest son of John R. Pollock. He attended the public schools of his district in his boyhood, and has since been engaged in farming. On December 8, 1874, he married Annie Park, a daughter of John Park, of Pittsburg, and is the father of six children: John; Allen; Clarence; Howard; Foster, and George. Mr. Pollock is a Democrat, and is a member of the Holyoke United Presbyterian church.

JOHN POST, SR., was born in Germany, in 1822, was reared in his native land, and there married Elizabeth Crowley. They came to this country in 1843, and located at Buffalo Furnace, whence they removed to Winfield township, Butler county, where Mr. Post died at the age of fifty-four years. They reared a family of nine children, as follows: Elizabeth, who married Henry Weitzel; Catherine, who married Jacob Eisler; Margaret, wife of John Dur; John; Mary, wife of Frank Acre; Henry; Ida; William, and Annie, wife of William Crooks. Mr. Post was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, to which denomination his wife also belonged.

JOHN POST, eldest son of John and Elizabeth Post, was born at Buffalo Furnace, December 27, 1853, received a common school education, and has been engaged in farming since early manhood. He married Margaret A. Acre, a daughter of August Acre, of this county, to which union have been born five children, as follows: Clarence A.; Mary E.; George A., who died December 19, 1891, and two that died in early youth. Mr. Post is a Republican in politics, but takes no active interest in political matters.

WILLIAM THOMPSON was a native of Ireland, and a son of John Thompson, who came from Ireland to New Jersey with a family of five children, as follows: John; James; William; Amy C., and Elizabeth. William grew to manhood in New Jersey, subsequently moved to Washington county, Pennsylvania, and thence to Greene county. He was married three times, and was the father of twenty-four children. By his first wife three children were born to him. His second wife, Catherine Hull, became the mother of seven children: John; Charles; Joseph; Maria; William; Sarah A., and Ruah. His third wife was Annie Wallace, to whom were born fourteen children, as follows: Isaac; James;

Hannah; Parker; Albert P; Harvey D.; Wesley T. F.; Isaiah E. W.; Eleanor S.; Rebecca A.; Hiram W.; Amy E.; William, and one that died in early youth.

Harvey D. Thompson, son of William and Annie (Wallace) Thompson, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1829, removed with his parents to Greene county at the age of ten years, and remained there until he was sixteen years old. He then went to Pittsburg to learn the coachmaker's trade, spent four years in that city, and located at Prospect, Butler county, in 1856. He there married Mary Forrester, a daughter of Joseph Forrester. She died in 1871, the mother of five children, as follows: Clarence; Flora E.; Harry F.; Millie, and John G. In 1873 he married Catherine M. Roth, to whom were born five children: Lewis R.; Louisa R.; Annie L. E.; George W., and Marietta G. Mrs. Thompson died in 1881, and in 1883 he married Mrs. Neese, and has one daughter by this union, Catherine. Mr. Thompson is a member of the English Lutheran church, in which he has filled the office of deacon for two terms. In politics, he has always been a Republican, has filled many of the township offices, and was elected sheriff of Butler county in 1869, in which office he served a full term. In July, 1863, he enlisted in Company A, Sixty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. He located upon his present homestead in 1874, is a good, practical farmer, and a very worthy citizen. He has always been active in political affairs, as well as in church and educational matters.

William Blain was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, in 1797, grew to manhood in his native land, and there married Jane Arnold, a daughter of John Arnold, of the same shire. In July, 1852, they immigrated to Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, remained there about two years, and then came to Butler county, locating in Buffalo township. In 1864 Mr. Blain purchased a farm in Centre township, upon which he resided down to his death, in April, 1876. He was a member of the United Presbyterian churches at Butler and Holyoke, and in politics, he was a Republican. By his marriage to Jane Arnold he became the father of the following children: Mary, deceased wife of John Pollock; Elizabeth, wife of John Park; John; Jane, deceased; William; Thomas A.; Alexander, and Jessie, deceased. John, William, and Thomas A. Blain were soldiers in the Union army. John and Thomas A., enlisted in Company D, Sixth United States Cavalry, August 26, 1861, and participated in the battles of Williamsburg, siege of Yorktown, and all the principal battles of the Army of the Potomac during their term of enlistment. John was captured during McClellan's campaign before Richmond, in 1862, was severely wounded at Savage Station, taken to Libby prison, and thence sent to Fortress Monroe. He remained in the hospital at that point four months, and was discharged on a surgeon's certificate, in October, 1862. He re-enlisted March 15, 1865, in Company K, One Hundred and Fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served as corporal, until his final discharge at Fort Smith, Virginia, August 25, 1865. Thomas A. was never off duty a single day during his term of service. He was captured June 13, 1864, at Travellian Station, was held prisoner at Libby and Andersonville six months, was then exchanged, and was honorably discharged at Washington, D. C., March 16, 1865. William enlisted in Company M, Fifth Heavy Artillery, and

served from the organization of the regiment until honorably discharged, June 13, 1865.

ALEXANDER BLAIN was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, January 15, 1840, and is the youngest son of William and Jane Blain. He came with his parents to Pennsylvania in 1852, and to Butler county two years afterward. He received a common school education, and has been engaged in farming from early boyhood. He was married January 3, 1871, to Sarah E., a daughter of Robert Allison, of Centre township, and is the father of six children, as follows: William C. A.; Robert C.; John M.: Thomas H.; Agnes J., and Wilber Alexander. Mr. Blain is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and has been an elder and treasurer in that organization. Politically, he is a Republican, and has held many of the offices in his township.

JOHN S. SHAKELY, son of Henry Shakely, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1836, grew to manhood in his native township, and subsequently settled on a farm in Centre township. In 1864 he married Susan Byers, of Centre township, and is the father of one son, Alva, who now resides upon the old homestead. Mr. Shakely removed from the homestead farm to Butler, where he has retired from active business life. He is a member of the German Reformed church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party.

ALVA SHAKELY, only child of John S. and Susan Shakely, was born upon the homestead farm in Centre township, Butler county, January 23, 1865, and was reared beneath the parental roof and received a common school education in the district school. He has always resided upon the old homestead, which he has now charge of. He married Miss Kate Young, a daughter of Simon Young, of Centre township, September 24, 1890, and has one child, Cleo, born April 17, 1892. Both he and his wife are members of the English Lutheran church, and politically, he is a Republican.

FRANCIS M. NEFF was a native of Muenchberg, Bavaria, Germany, born March 10, 1795. He grew to maturity in his native land, and was married in Kleinwallstadt, to Regina Kessler, a daughter of Adam Kessler, to which union were born seven children, only two of whom survived infancy, as follows: John Ingnatz, deceased, and John Vitus. In 1845 Mr. Neff immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, and purchased a small farm in what is now Oakland township. He was a potter, but after coming to this county he engaged in farming. His wife died upon the homestead in Donegal township, April 24, 1864. He survived her until March 19, 1872.

JOHN VITUS NEFF was born in Bavaria, Germany, June 15, 1829, and is the only survivor of his father's family. He was sixteen years of age when his parents located in Butler county, and had received a fair education in his native land. He learned the potter's and carpenter's trades after coming to this county, at which he worked until 1874. In 1875 he purchased his present homestead in Centre township, and has since devoted his attention to agriculture. He married Mary A. Palmert, a daughter of Philip Palmert, of Donegal township, to which union were born the following children: John P., deceased; Frank P.; Josephine B., wife of Andrew Nickel, of Butler township; John C.; Joseph C.; Mary

E., wife of John Shmieder; Theresa M.; Clara R.; Annie B., and Barcillius F. Mr. Neff and family are members of the Catholic church, in which faith his parents lived and died. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, and is one of the enterprising farmers of his township.

CHAPTER LXXIII.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

ZELIENOPLE, HARMONY AND EVANS CITY BOROUGHS—JACKSON, FORWARD, ADAMS, CRANBERRY, CONNOQUENESSING AND LANCASTER TOWNSHIPS.

DR. LORING LUSK was born in Ontario county, New York, in 1799, and was reared in Hudson, Summit county, Ohio, where his parents settled at quite an early day. He studied medicine under his brother-in-law, Dr. Cossitt, of Mercer, Pennsylvania, and there married Mary, a daughter of Joseph Smith, one of the pioneers of that borough. Dr. Lusk commenced the practice of medicine at Harmony, Butler county, in 1823, removed to Beaver county in 1829, and continued in practice there for a few years. He next engaged extensively, as a contractor, in the construction of the Pittsburg and Erie canal, but returned to Harmony in 1844, and resumed the practice of his profession. In 1854 he removed to Canton, Lewis county, Missouri, where he practiced until 1861. He was then appointed surgeon of the Twenty-first Missouri Volunteers, remained one year in the service, and again returned to Zelienople, where he established a drug store, which he carried on until his death, in 1878. His children were as follows: Joseph S., and Amos, two of the well remembered physicians of Butler county; Mary, who married Dr. F. S. Dodds, and Imelda, who married J. P. Cooksey, all of whom are dead.

DR. AMOS LUSK, second son of Dr. Loring Lusk, was born at Harmony, Butler county, May 31, 1828, but spent most of his boyhood days in Mercer county. He was educated in the schools of Mercer and New Brighton, read medicine with his father, and began practice in 1849. He attended lectures at the Medical Department of the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, where he was graduated in 1854. In 1853 he was appointed surgeon at the United States Marine Hospital, Pittsburg, which position he held for four years. In 1857 he removed to Canton, Missouri, where he practiced his profession until the breaking out of the Rebellion, when the disorganized state of society in Missouri caused him to return to Butler county, and, in 1861, he located in Zelienople, where he continued to practice medicine for over thirty years. Throughout his long and varied career, he enjoyed the fullest confidence

of the public, and built up through the passing years a large and lucrative practice. In 1883 he and his son, Amos M., purchased the bank established by Nicholas Dambach, and the banking house of Amos Lusk & Son proved a financial success. Dr. Lusk was an excellent financier, and with the assistance of his son he built up a solid and substantial business. After his death his son sold an interest in the bank to John A. Gelbach, and subsequently sold the remaining interest to the latter's brother, and the firm then became Gelbach Brothers. Dr. Lusk was a celebrated linguist, was master of twelve languages, and spoke fluently, Greek, Latin, Spanish, Hebrew, French, German, Italian, English and other tongues, and had studied in all twenty-five different languages. He was perhaps the most proficient linguist in the State, was a gentleman of fine classical taste, and devoted his leisure moments to the perusal of the choicest literature. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church of Zelienople, and for many years had rendered professional services gratuitously to the Orphan's Home near that borough. Dr. Lusk married Agnes S. Clow, daughter of James S. Clow, of Westmoreland county, who survives him. Six children were born to this union, all of whom are living: William H., attorney at law, of Butler; James L., a captain of engineers in the United States army; Joseph R., chief train dispatcher of the Pittsburg and Western railroad at Allegheny; Amos M., of Zelienople; Mary V., wife of John A. Gelbach, of the same borough, and Julian. Dr. Lusk died November 17, 1891, his death occurring very suddenly, while on his way to attend a patient. In politics, he was a Republican, but took little interest in political affairs. He was a pioneer member of Harmony lodge, F. & A. M., and was buried by the Masonic order. Few men in Butler county stood so high in the estimation of their fellow citizens as this pioneer physician, most of whose long and varied career was spent in the place of his birth.

Amos M. Lusk, fourth son of Dr. Amos Lusk, was born in Zelienople, January 14, 1863, and received his education in the public schools and under the private instruction of his father. He studied civil engineering, and followed that profession until 1883, when he engaged in the banking business with his father. Soon after the death of the latter he sold an interest in the bank to John A. Gelbach, and subsequently disposed of the remaining interest to Mr. Gelbach's brother. Since retiring from the bank Mr. Lusk has devoted his attention to oil producing. In 1884 he was married to Laura, daughter of George Stahl, of Zelienople, to whom have been born three children: Eva Elizabeth; George Amos, and Herbert. In politics, Mr. Lusk is a Republican, has served as president of the Zelienople council, and also as burgess of the borough. He is a member of the Masonic order, also of the I. O. O. F., and Jr. O. U. A. M.

Christian Buhl was born in Germany, in 1776, came to the United States in 1800, and in 1802 settled at Zelienople, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he was married the following year to Dorothy Goehring, also a native of Germany. He was a hatter, and conducted that business in Zelienople for many years. He possessed a good education for that period, served as justice of the peace for many years, and was an associate judge of Butler county for one term. In politics, he was a Democrat, and in religious faith, a member of the German Lutheran church, and helped to build the old stone church at Zelienople. Mr.

Buhl died in 1864; his wife survived until 1868, living to the ripe old age of ninety years. They were the parents of eleven children, six of whom are living: George, and Christian H., both residing in Michigan; Charles, a resident of Danville, Illinois; Henry, of Zelienople; Jane, wife of Robert Hay, of Allegheny, and Elizabeth, wife of Robert King, of Detroit, Michigan.

Henry Buhl was born in Zelienople, Butler county, August 13, 1813, son of Christian and Dorothy Buhl. He was reared in his native place, became a builder of steam engines, and was an engineer on the river for many years. In 1843 he married Christina W. C., daughter of Frederick C. Speyerer, of Cranberry township. After marriage they located on a farm in Forward township, residing there until 1891, and then took up their residence at Zelienople. Mr. Buhl also conducted a grist mill in connection with his farm for twenty-five years. Politically, he has always been a stanch Democrat. He is the father of seven children, as follows: Marie Christina, wife of Russell H. Boggs, of the firm of Boggs & Buhl, Allegheny; F. C., of Evans City; Henry, a member of the firm of Boggs & Buhl; Fredericka J., wife of Jacob Gelbach, of Evans City; Emma, wife of Ferdinand Winter, of Altoona; Matilda, and Benjamin S. who resides on the farm in Forward township. Mr. Buhl and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Zelienople.

A. V. Cunningham, M. D., was born in North Sewickley township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1837. His father, Robert Cunningham, also a physician, was a native of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He came to Beaver, where he met and married Jane Allison, a daughter of Hon. James Allison, a leading lawyer of western Pennsylvania, in 1832. Her father represented his district in Congress two terms, as did also her brother, Hon. John Allison. The subject of this sketch was reared in Beaver county, and was educated at the North Sewickley and Beaver Academies, but was prevented from taking a collegiate course because of an injury. He read medicine with Dr. Goucher, of Pittsburg, and commenced the practice of his profession at Wampum, Lawrence county, in 1863, thence removed to Poland, Ohio, and in 1867 located at Zelienople, Butler county. He is the oldest physician in that borough, and during the past twenty-seven years he has built up a lucrative practice. He is a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and was appointed one of the censors of the Medico Chirurgical College of that city in May, 1894. During his early life he studied dentistry, under Dr. M. E. Gillespie, of Pittsburg, and was thus enabled to conduct the dental business in connection with his regular profession. Dr. Cunningham has been identified with the oil interests during the past few years, and was the pioneer in the Harmony and Zelienople fields, where he was quite successful. In politics, he has been a Republican, and acted with that party up to within a few years, since which time he has been an independent voter, casting his ballot in favor of those who in his judgment would add dignity to the office to which they aspired, claiming that it is better to swear allegience to principle than to party. Consequently he associated himself with the Prohibition party for a time, received the nomination of his district for Congress, and, as anticipated, was defeated. He has recently been acting with the Republican party, except when the other parties presented better material. He

has always voted for the presidential nominee of that party since casting his first vote for Abraham Lincoln. Dr. Cunningham was married, September 16, 1869, to Jane B. Wallace, a daughter of Francis Wallace, of Zelienople, to whom have been born eight children, viz.: Nora Viola; Francis W.; A. Vincent; Jennie W.; Lee Smith; Walter C.; Ralph, and Adaline F. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, while his family are identified with the Presbyterian church. Dr. Cunningham was appointed on the board of examining surgeons of pensions for Butler county, August 1, 1894, without solicitation on his part.

Samuel Young, the founder and late editor of the Connoquenessing *Valley News*, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, December 29, 1821. After receiving a common school education, he entered the book binding establishment of L. Loomis, of that city, and later took editorial charge of the American *Eagle*, of Pittsburg, published by Arthur A. Anderson. At the same time he was a correspondent for the Philadelphia and New York papers. He was the author and publisher of two books entitled "The Smoky City, a Tale of Crimes," and "Tales and Sketches," which found a ready sale and proved for the times a profitable enterprise. In 1847 he moved to Franklin, Venango county, and took charge of the stock department of the iron mills, then owned by Henry Coulter. He later became connected with the Conneautville *Courier*, as associate editor, and was afterwards associated with A. J. Gibson, as editor and publisher of the Clarion *Banner*, with which he was connected until June, 1868, when they sold the paper. In 1869 Mr. Young started the *Independent*, at East Brady, which proved a good investment, and in 1871 he erected a residence at East Brady, at a cost of $5,000. He afterwards sold the *Independent*, and in 1878, at the solicitation of some of the prominent business men of Zelienople, he started the Connoquenessing *Valley News*, his son, J. R. Young, becoming associatated with him. The *News* soon gained a fair circulation throughout Butler county and surrounding territory, and he continued in editorial charge until his death. The *News* has since been edited and published by his son, J. R. Young. Mr. Young was married December 3, 1844, to Miss Mary W. Armstrong. The surviving children of this union are: Belle A., wife of W. H. Taylor, of Centre county; J. R., of Zelienople, and Mary C., wife of S. F. Bowser, of Butler. Mrs. Young died June 20, 1881. He was again married, June 27, 1882, to Miss Emeline G. Boggs, who became the mother of one son, Samuel W., of Zelienople. Mr. Young died at his home in Zelienople, March 27, 1891. Politically, he was a Republican, and was one of the well known citizens of the county. Shortly before his death he published an autobiography, which contains many interesting references to Butler county and her people.

Lewis Dindinger was a native of Alsace, France, where he met and married Christina Miller. In 1830 they immigrated to Franklin township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, where they purchased and improved a farm. Mr. Dindinger was also engaged in the construction of the canal from Pittsburg to Erie. They reared a family of ten children, seven of whom are living as follows: George, of Lancaster township; Jacob, a resident of Wampum, Lawrence county; John, of Zelienople; Caroline, wife of Lewis Kerl, of Allegheny; Christina, wife of Henry Bloom, of Portersville; William, of Harmony, and Henry.

of Allegheny. The parents removed from Beaver county to Zelienople, where they united with the Lutheran church. Mr. Dindinger died in that borough, and his widow subsequently returned to the homestead in Beaver county, where she spent the remaining years of her life.

JOHN DINDINGER, merchant, was born in Franklin township, Beaver county, December 26, 1839, and is the third son of Lewis and Christina Dindinger. He was educated in the public schools of his native township, and in 1861 began clerking in a store. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Sixty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months, at the expiration of his term of service he returned to Beaver county, and, in 1864, engaged in merchandising, in Perry township, Lawrence county, where he continued until 1872, when he sold his store and purchased a farm in Franklin township, Beaver county. In 1874 he came to Zelienople and established his present mercantile business, also erected his store building. He has built up a large trade and is one of the representative business men in that section of the county. Mr. Dindinger is also interested in oil production, and was one of the organizers and a director in the National Bank of Harmony. He was married in December, 1863, to Miss R. T. Pyle, daughter of Caleb Pyle, of Lawrence county. Seven children have been born to this union: C. L., who is in partnership with his father; Louis Wilber, deceased; Franklin Howard, deceased; Ada, deceased; Eva Leola; Estella, and Norman Roy. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Dindinger is a Republican. He served as postmaster under Garfield's administration, and he is a member of Wilson Post, Number 469, G. A. R., of Zelienople.

WILLIAM DINDINGER was born in Franklin township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1850, son of Lewis and Christina (Miller) Dindinger. He was reared in Beaver county, received a common school education, and was engaged in farming until 1884, when he came to Zelienople and embarked in the hardware business. In January, 1886, he became a member of the firm of W. A. Goehring & Company, the largest dealers in hardware, agricultural implements, and oil well supplies in the borough. Mr. Dindinger is a member of the Breackneck Oil Company. He was married March 13, 1873, to Mary L., daughter of Justus Alborn, of Franklin township, Beaver county, and is the father of four children: Lewis A.; Charles H.; Walter A., and Arthur William. The family are members of the German Lutheran church, of Zelienople, in which body Mr. Dindinger has served as trustee and superintendent of the Sunday school, and is also a member of the church council. In politics, he is a Republican, and is recognized as one of the enterprising business men of Harmony.

JOHN REED was born near Steubenville, Ohio, and married Elizabeth Randolph, born at Elizabeth, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. Mr. Reed came to Harmony, Butler county, in 1819, and carried on the Abraham Ziegler tannery until 1821, and then removed to Zelienople, where he and wife resided until their death. They reared a family of eight children, as follows: Mary Jane, deceased; W. A., of Washington county; Lewis of New Brighton, Beaver county; J. V., deceased; Edward, who died in infancy; Louisa, deceased; Margaret, wife of Milton Henry, of New Castle, and Charles E.

Charles E. Reed, druggist, was born in the borough of Zelienople, June 3, 1843, and is the youngest son of John and Elizabeth Reed. He attended the public schools until the age of thirteen years, and then entered a drug store in Allegheny City, where he learned the drug business. In 1865 he formed a partnership with his brother, and established a drug store in Allegheny City, which they continued for six years. In 1882 he opened his present drug store at Zelienople, where he has since continued in the same line. Mr. Reed was married in 1864, to Mary S., daughter of John Blair, of Allegheny City. She died in 1884, leaving five children, as follows: W. A., an employee on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Oakdale; J. B., train dispatcher at New Castle Junction; C. L., who is operating a sheep ranch in Montana; Mary F., and Elizabeth. In 1885 Mr. Reed married Jeannette E. McClure, daughter of John McClure of Lancaster township. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Zelienople, in which body he fills the office of trustee. Politically, he is a Democrat, and was postmaster of Zelienople under Cleveland's first administration. He has been president of the Zelienople school board, and is now filling the office of notary public. He is a member of Harmony council, Number 698, Royal Arcanum.

Albert Winter, jeweler, was born in Phillipsburg, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, February 16, 1850, son of Rev. E. F. and Johanna (Swartz) Winter, natives of Germany. His father was educated in Germany, and became a noted divine in the Evangelical church, having charge of four churches in Beaver county for a period of twenty-five years, during which time he erected eleven church buildings. He was pastor of the Evangelical church at Zelienople for twenty-five years. He was also pastor of the Burry church for forty-four years, and was organist for all the churches for which he was pastor. He died May 22, 1884. After his death his widow resided in Rochester, Beaver county, until December, 1893, when she moved to Zelienople. Her death occurred July 15, 1894. They were the parents of nine children, and are kindly remembered in Butler county. The subject of this sketch is the sixth child and was reared at Phillipsburg. He received a public school education, and conducted his father's farm for several years; afterwards learned the jeweler's trade at New Brighton, Pennsylvania, and commenced working at the bench in 1868. In 1869 he established his present business house at Zelienople, where he has since enjoyed a lucrative trade. Mr. Winter is also interested in oil producing, and was associated with Dr. Cunningham in drilling the first well in the Zelienople field. In December, 1875, he married Annie C., daughter of Daniel Brenner, of Beaver county, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Zelienople, in which body he holds the office of elder. He has also served as teacher and superintendent of the Sunday school. In politics, Mr. Winter is a Prohibitionist, and has served as school director in the borough.

Rev. J. A. Kribbs, superintendent of the Orphan's Farm School at Zelienople, was born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, and was educated in the district schools, and the Zelienople Academy. He graduated from the Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, in 1868, and for ten years was pastor of the Lutheran church at Kittanning. In 1878 he came to Zelienople, Butler county,

Yours truly

and had charge of two churches for three years. In the same year he became connected with the Orphan's Farm School, as superintendent, and has since filled that position with great satisfaction to the many friends of the institution. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, composed of two companies from Clarion county, one company from Armstrong county, and seven companies from Pittsburg and Allegheny county, under Colonel Allen, but afterwards commanded by General Pierson. The regiment was organized at Pittsburg, September 2, 1862, and Mr. Kribbs participated with his command in the great battles fought by the Army of the Potomac. He was commissioned first lieutenant of his company, and commanded it at the battles of Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, the Richmond campaign and Petersburg. Mr. Kribbs was married in 1872, to Miss M. A. Dinwiddie, of Philadelphia, In politics, he is a Republican, and is one of the highly respected citizens of Zelienople.

Henry Stokey was born in 1821, in Alsace, France, and immigrated to the United States in 1847, and settled in New Orleans. He remained there for two years, and returned to his native country in 1849 for the purpose of settling up his business with a view of making America his home. He returned to the United States in 1851, and again located at New Orleans, pursuing his trade, that of blacksmith and machinist, until 1852, when he located at Pittsburg, where, in the year 1853, he married Margaret Baer, also a native of Alsace, France. In 1856 he removed to Evans City, Butler county, and engaged in farming in Adams township, and also owned a farm in Jackson township. In 1864 Mr. Stokey became proprietor of a hotel in Evans City, which he conducted until 1868, when he resumed farming in Jackson township. In 1878 he purchased the Eagle Hotel, at Zelienople, which he carried on until his death, in 1883. His widow resides on the homestead in Jackson township. He was a member of the German Reformed church, while his widow is connected with the Lutheran denomination. Their family consisted of five children, as follows: Henry W.; Charles; Jacob; Lewis, and Theodore. who was drowned when sixteen years of age, Mr. Stokey was a Democrat, in politics, and served in the Zelienople council. He was a member of Connoquenessing Lodge. I. O. O. F., of Butler, which he joined in 1866, and was also a charter member of Harmony Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Henry W. Stokey, proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel, Zelienople, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, September 28, 1854, and is the eldest son of Henry and Margaret Stokey. He was educated in the common schools, and has always followed farming and hotel keeping. In 1881 he became proprietor of the Central Hotel at Evans City, and afterwards purchased the Stokey House, in the same place, and conducted it until 1888. In that year he removed to Zelienople, and shortly afterwards purchased the Bastian House, which he has rebuilt and named the Grand Central. It is a first class hotel, and finished in modern style. Mr. Stokey was married May 5, 1881, to Amelia, daughter of Lewis Teets, of Beaver county, and has one child, Caroline Matilda. He and wife are adherents of the German Lutheran church. Politically, he is a Demo-

crat. He is a member of Harmony Lodge, F. & A. M., and is one of the well known citizens of Zelienople.

CHARLES STOKEY, proprietor of the Stokey House, Zelienople, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, April 22, 1856, son of Henry and Margaret Stokey. He received a common school education and remained on the homestead farm until 1874, when he embarked in the harness business at Evans City, which he continued until the spring of 1878. At that time he removed to Zelienople with his father, who conducted the Stokey House until his death, when our subject became the proprietor, and has carried on that hotel successfully up to the present. Mr. Stokey was married in 1875, to Susan C., daughter of William Allen, Sr., of Zelienople, and has five children: Leila A.; Ellsworth B.; Russell L.; Herschel, and Karl Sidney. Mrs. Stokey is a member of the English Lutheran church. A Democrat, in politics, Mr. Stokey has taken very little interest in political matters for some years. He is a member of Harmony Lodge, F. & A. M., also of Butler Chapter, R. A. M.; of Tancred Commandery, Number 48, of Pittsburg, and of Syria Temple, A. A. N. O. M. S.

SAMUEL E. RALSTON, physician and surgeon, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, February 17, 1863, son of William and Hannah (Riddell) Ralston, both natives of Butler county, and now residents of Prospect. His grandfather, William Ralston, was a native of Philadelphia, and by trade a miller. In 1815 he located at New Castle, Lawrence county, where he erected the first grist mill in that town. He later built a mill at Slippery Rock, Butler county, and another on the Connoquenessing creek, in Butler township, which he operated for many years. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native township, learned the milling business with his father, and followed that business for four years. He received his literary education at Mt. Union College, Stark county, Ohio, read medicine under Dr. Joseph Lusk, of Butler, and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1889. Dr. Ralston began practice in Harmony, where he remained until January, 1892, when he removed to Zelienople. Since commencing practice he has built up a lucrative business, and is recognized as a progressive physician. Politically, he is a Republican.

H. G. MCKIM, insurance and real estate agent, is a son of R. A. and Ellen (Gould) McKim, natives of Mercer county, Pennsylvania, and was born at Mercer, July 9, 1860. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of nineteen entered the store of J. G. Moore of Mercer, as salesman and book-keeper, where he remained five years. He next accepted a position as traveling salesman for a Pittsburg house, with which he remained five years. In 1886 he came to Zelienople, Butler county, to accept the position of book-keeper for A. Seaton, which he filled for three years, and then established his present insurance and real estate business. Among the companies represented by Mr. McKim, may be mentioned the New York Life, The United States Accident, of New York city, the German Fire, of Pittsburg, the North American of Philadelphia, and many other old and prominent fire and life insurance companies. In 1893 he was elected a justice of the peace for the borough of Zelienople, and has also filled the position of borough clerk. He is a Republican, in politics, and is a

member of Evans City Lodge, K. of P., Zelienople Lodge, K. O. T. M., and Connoquenessing Council, Jr. O. U. A. M.

GEORGE STAHL, distiller, was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, April 22, 1839, son of Jacob and Magdalene (Vocht) Stahl. His father was a native of Jackson township, Butler county, was a member of the Economite Society, and moved with that organization to Freedom, Beaver county. George received a common school education in the district schools of his native township, and in 1870 moved to Zelienople, where he engaged in the distilling business, which he has since conducted successfully. In 1862 he married Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham Ziegler of Harmony, and has four children: Laura, wife of Amos M. Lusk of Zelienople; John Abraham; Janet, and George Washington. Politically, Mr. Stahl is a Republican, and he and family are members of Grace Reformed church of Harmony.

WILLIAM EICHHOLTZ was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1853, son of Conrad and Elizabeth (Holtzer) Eichholtz, natives of Germany. His parents immigrated to Allegheny City in 1838, subsequently removed to Beaver county, and settled upon a farm, where his mother died in 1886, and his father in 1891. Soon after locating in Beaver county, Conrad Eichholtz engaged in huckstering, which business he followed for fifteen years, shipping his produce to Pittsburg. About 1860 he became interested in oil producing at Pithole and Petroleum Centre, Venango county, and was quite a successful operator for about fifteen years. He then returned to Beaver county, and retired from active business. Conrad and Elizabeth Eichholtz, were the parents of eleven children, viz.: Margaret, wife of Nicholas Gardner; Frederick; John; Catherine; Lewis; George; Louisa, wife of John Kocher; Mary, deceased; William; Edward, and Frank. The parents were members of the Presbyterian church, and Mr. Eichholtz was connected with the Masonic order. The subject of this sketch worked upon the homestead farm until he became of age, when he married Louisa Lutz, a daughter of William and Fredericka Lutz, of Butler county. After his marriage his father gave him the homestead of 160 acres, upon which he lived about twelve years. He then purchased and settled upon his present farm of 112 acres, situated near Harmony, in Lancaster township, Butler county. This farm has proved a profitable oil producing property, and now contains fifteen wells, operated by J. Q. A. Kennedy, of Butler, Guckert & Steel, and M. L. Lockwood, the total output being about 1,000 barrels per day. Mr. Eichholtz was formerly engaged in the dairy business, and shipped as high as 1,600 gallons of milk to Allegheny every month. Mr. Eichholtz has a family of seven children, viz.: Frank; Nettie; Albert; Hiram; Conrad; Annie, and Omar. His wife died in 1892. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, to which denomination her husband belongs. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

ABRAHAM ZIEGLER was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, May 4, 1774. He learned the blacksmith's trade in his native county, and was also an extensive farmer there. In 1814 he purchased the entire property of the Harmony Society from Father Rapp, and in 1815 brought his family to this county and took possession of his purchase. He went into merchandising quite exten-

sively, which he carried on in connection with his farm. He died in 1836, at Harmony. In religious faith, he was a Mennonite, erected the church of that denomination at Harmony, in 1816, and was its principal support for twenty years. He was interred in the graveyard attached to this church. Mr. Ziegler was twice married; his first wife was Catherine Boehm, to whom were born the following children: Maria; Abraham, and Anna. His second wife was Elizabeth Eustandire, who became the mother of eleven children, as follows: Catherine; Andrew; Jacob; Samuel; Jonas; David; Michael; Susannah; Elizabeth; Barbara, and Joseph, all of whom are dead except the last mentioned.

Joseph Ziegler, youngest son of Abraham and Elizabeth Ziegler, was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1815, and came with his parents to Butler county, where he grew to manhood. He then purchased his present farm of 200 acres, which was a part of the original Rapp property, and has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Ziegler was reared in the Mennonite faith, and has been minister of the Harmony church for nearly forty years. He married, in 1839, Mary, daughter of George Boyer, of Lancaster township, Butler county, of which union were born ten children: Abraham, deceased; Sarah, deceased wife of Jacob Wise; George, deceased; Joseph, of Beaver county; Aaron A.; Samuel; Jonas; David B.; Elizabeth, and Catherine. Mrs. Ziegler died in April, 1892.

Samuel Swain was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, and was a son of Jacob Swain, a native of Maryland, who first settled in Westmoreland county, whence he removed to Butler county in 1816. He was a hatter by trade, and followed that business in connection with farming. Samuel was twice married, his first wife being Sarah Brown, a native of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, whom he met and married in Butler county. Their children are as follows: A. A., who resides on the the old homestead; Samuel L., a resident of Ohio; W. G., also residing on the homestead farm; G. D., a merchant of Harmony, and one deceased. Mrs. Swain died in 1854, and he subsequently married a Miss Emerick, to whom was born one daughter, Maria, wife of Joseph T. Donley. Mr. Swain died in 1882; his widow removed to Butler, and died at the home of her daughter at Etna, Pennsylvania. Mr. Swain lived at Whitestown for a period, and later purchased a farm in Jackson township from the Ziegler estate, upon which he spent the remaining years of his life. He was a Democrat, in politics, and was an elder in the Lutheran church for many years. He contributed towards the erection of both the German and English Lutheran churches at Zelienople.

G. D. Swain, a leading merchant of Harmony, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, and is the fourth son of Samuel and Sarah (Brown) Swain. He received his primary education in the public schools of Jackson township, subsequently attended Zelienople Academy, and later was engaged in teaching for twelve years. In 1862 he enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Quay, and served nine months, participating in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville, besides several skirmishes. In 1871 he embarked in merchandising at Harmony, where he has since built up an extensive business, one of the largest,

if not the largest, in this part of the county. In 1865 he married Harriet, daughter of Abraham Moyer, of Lancaster township, Butler county, and has two children: Mary, and Laura. He and family are members of the Lutheran church, in which organization he fills the office of deacon, and he is also a member of the standing committee. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat, and has always taken an active interest in political matters. He has been a school director for twenty years, has been burgess of Harmony for ten consecutive terms, and has served as a delegate to the State conventions. In 1886 he was the Democratic nominee for the legislature, and though he made a splendid race, he was defeated, as the county is strongly Republican. Mr. Swain is a progressive and enterprising business man, and has won the respect and confidence of the best people of Butler county. He was one of the leading spirits in the erection of the soldier's monument at Butler, and is recognized as a patriotic and representative citizen.

Jacob F. Wise was a native of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and moved with his father, John Wise, to Beaver county. He married a daughter of Abraham Ziegler and settled in Jackson township, Butler county, where he cleared and improved a farm. He afterwards moved to the Ziegler farm, on Connoquenessing creek, and thence to Harmony. He was a member of the Mennonite church. By his marriage to Miss Ziegler he was the father of five children: Abraham, deceased; Nancy, deceased wife of Jacob W. Rice; John; Jacob, who died at the age of twenty-eight years, and Mary, wife of C. Nicklas, of Petersville. Some years after the death of his first wife he married Sarah, daughter of Benjamin Moyer, of Lancaster township, to which union were born ten children: Alfred M., and Henry M., both residing at Harmony; Benjamin, of New Brighton; Susannah, wife of Jacob Fiedler, of Harmony; Levi M., an attorney of Butler; Israel, who resides upon the homestead farm; Sarah, wife of James R. Moore, of Allegheny; Jeremiah, deceased; Catherine, deceased wife of Edward Stauffer, of Harmony, and Noah, who resides at New Brighton. Mr. Wise was a Republican, in politics.

Henry M. Wise, of the firm of H. M. Bentle & Company, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, January 1, 1854, and is the second son of Jacob F. and Sarah (Moyer) Wise. He received a good public school education, afterwards engaged in the distillery business with his father, and in 1878 he became cashier of the Harmony Savings Bank, which position he filled until 1884. In 1882 he became a member of the lumber firm of Wise, Lytle & Haim, but withdrew in 1884, and the following year became a member of the present firm. Mr. Wise was married in 1877, to Jeannette L., a daughter of the late Dr. Joseph S. Lusk, and has one son, Howard Beach. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church of Harmony, and he is a trustee in that body. He is a member of Middle Lancaster Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Harmony Council, R. A.; Tent, Number 13, K. of M., and the Jr. O. U. A. M. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as burgess and member of the borough council, also as school director of the Harmony public schools. He was at one time the choice of the Republicans of his section for register and recorder of the county, but failed to receive the nomination.

Alfred M. Wise, proprietor of livery stable, Harmony, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, August 6, 1852, son of Jacob F. and Sarah (Moyer) Wise. He attended the public schools and worked upon the homestead farm until twenty-one years of age. In 1876 he engaged in the livery business at Harmony, where he has since enjoyed the leading trade of the borough. He was married in 1874, to Ada Covert, daughter of Samuel Covert, of Harmony, and has four children: Charles; Annie; Clyde Delmar, and Florence Genevieve. He and wife are members of the Church of God. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of the Royal Arcanum.

Eranious Bentle was born in Baltimore, Maryland, and for many years was a successful merchant of Zelienople, where he died in 1858. He married Rebecca Marquis, and was the father of four children, three of whom are living, as follows: Mary, wife of M. S. Nochtrieb, of Wooster, Ohio; Lavina, and Howard M. His widow married Edward Mellon, and resides in Zelienople.

Howard M. Bentle, of the firm of H. M. Bentle & Company, was born in Zelienople, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1856, and is the only son of Eranious and Rebecca Bentle. He was reared in his native town, and received his education in the public schools, and at Ironton, Ohio, and Beaver, Pennsylvania. In 1877 he was elected teller of the National Bank of Harmony, and filled that position until the bank ceased operations. In 1880 he engaged in merchandising at Harmony, which he continued until 1885, and then became a partner in the present lumber firm and planing mill of H. M. Bentle & Company. Besides their mill at Harmony, they have also a mill at Zelienople, and conduct quite an extensive business. Mr. Bentle was married in 1882, to Lillian H., daughter of John Tite, of Allegheny, and has two children: Laura Elizabeth, and Lydia Rebecca. He and wife are members of the English Lutheran church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has served as school director, and overseer of the poor in Harmony. He is a member of the R. A., the Jr. O. U. A. M., and Middle Lancaster Lodge, I. O. O. F.

William Stiver was a native of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and married Jane Orr, a native of Ireland. They were among the early settlers of Jefferson county, Ohio, where Mrs. Stiver died in 1846. Of a family of four children born to this union, three are living, as follows: Jane, wife of J. M. Briggs; F. B., and Henry. Mr. Stiver married for his second wife, a Mrs. Covert, of Butler county, and resided in Harmony about seven years. He was a cabinet-maker, and died at West Carlington, Ohio, in 1887. His widow resides at Harmony. Both she and her husband were members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

F. B. Stiver, dealer in flour and feed, was born in Jefferson county, Ohio, June 11, 1842, eldest son of William and Jane (Orr) Stiver. He lived in his native county until he was nine years old and then went to West Virginia. At the breaking out of the Rebellion, he enlisted in Company A, Second West Virginia Volunteers, and served three years in that command. In September, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Fortieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, participating in most of the battles, marches and campaigns of the Army of the Potomac. After the war he

located in Harmony, Butler county, and in 1879 engaged in buying and shipping hay, feed, etc., in which he has continued up to the present. Mr. Stiver was married in 1883, to Jennie McConnell, of Lancaster township, Butler county. She is a member of the English Lutheran church, while he belongs to the Baptist church. Politically, a Republican, he has served in the council, also as constable of Harmony, and has been a member of the county committee. He is a member of Captain Wilson Post, G. A. R., of Zelienople, and is a charter member of Evans City Lodge, A. O. U. W.

Joseph Sidney Seaman was born in Harmony, Butler county, Pennsylvania, April 14, 1839, the third child of Elias and Margaret Seaman. His mother was a daughter of Charles Goehring, and was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, September 11, 1814. In 1834 she married Elias Seaman, and became the mother of five children, as follows: William Henry; Elias Jefferson, who died July 1, 1859; Joseph Sidney; Edward M., and Elias Francis. The father was born February 20, 1812, in Berks county, Pennsylvania, and died August 24, 1842. Mrs. Seaman afterwards married George Giess, in 1848, which union was blessed with four children: Charles P.; Henrietta; Charlotte, who died in infancy, and Emma, wife of Jonas Ziegler. Mrs. Giess, who is still living at the ripe age of eighty years, retains all her mental faculties, and is a very intelligent woman. The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools of Zelienople, to which village his parents removed when he was quite young. At the age of seventeen he went to Pittsburg, and served an apprenticeship of three years at roll-turning. By his energy and close application to business, he advanced step by step, until he became a member of the firm of J. B. Young & Company. This firm was prosperous and successful from its inception, and after some changes it was recognized as one of the most important manufacturing establishments in Pittsburg, and is now known as the Phœnix Roll Works, of Seaman, Sleeth & Black. Mr. Seaman was elected the first president of the company, which position he still occupies. He is a stanch Republican and has been president of the Lincoln Club since its organization. For the past twelve years he has been president of the school board of his ward, and takes a deep interest in educational matters; is a charter member and director of the Pennsylvania National Bank and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a prominent member and trustee of Grant Street Lutheran church, and is a member of the building committee of that and the East End Mission church. Mr. Seaman was married March 22, 1863, to Miss Alice H. Slater, to which union have been born three children: Charles B.; Grace, and Joseph, all of whom are living. He has always taken a deep interest in religious matters, and has contributed to the support of everything pertaining to the advancement and development of his home.

Frederick Hallstein was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, and immigated to Utica, New York, from which place he came to Zelienople, Pennsylvania, in 1852. He was married October 30, 1852, to Catherine King, also a native of Hesse-Darmstadt. They remained in Zelienople until 1857, when they removed to Middle Lancaster. Mr. Hallstein was a shoemaker, and followed his trade at Zelienople and Middle Lancaster. He died in December, 1889. His widow resides with her son, Henry A., at Harmony. He was a

member of the Evangelical Lutheran church, filled at different times various church offices, and was superintendent of the Sunday school for twelve years. They were the parents of four children: J. F., of Butler; John W., a resident of Allegheny, Henry A., and Elizabeth A., deceased wife of C. W. Burry.

Henry A. Hallstein, station agent at Harmony, was born in Middle Lancaster, Butler county, September 11, 1856, son of Frederick Hallstein. After receiving a common school education, he learned the shoe-maker's trade with his father, at which he worked for several years. On September 8, 1882, he was appointed station and freight agent for the Pittsburg and Western Railroad Company, at Harmony; also agent for the United States Express Company, and manager for the Western Union Telegraph Company at the same point. In connection with these offices, he is agent for the Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company, of Detroit. Mr. Hallstein was married May 26, 1887, to Lettie M., daughter of Samuel Schuler, of Harmony, and has three children: Boneta Beatrice; Harold Arthur, and Grace. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Harmony, and is a trustee and recorder of that organization. Politically, he is a Democrat, is now auditor of the borough and secretary of the school board, and secretary of the board of health. He is a member of the R. A., K. O. T. M., and Jr. O. U. A. M., also of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Beneficial Association.

Dr. Adam Weiser was born in Prussia, in 1823, son of Adam and Katherine Weiser, natives of that country. His grandfather, Adam Weiser, was a physician, and a graduate of the Medical College of Berlin. He was the father of three children: John; Adam, and Gottlieb. His father, Adam Weiser, was born in Prussia, graudated from the Medical College of Berlin, married Katherine Hartung, and had four children, as follows: William, deceased; Adam; Casper, and Margaret, who married Ambrose Heller. His father died in 1831, and his widow came with her daughter to Wisconsin, where she died in 1859. The subject of this sketch began his medical studies when fourteen years of age, at the Medical College of Berlin, where his father held a professorship, and after seven years spent in that institution was graduated. When the revolution of 1848 broke out in Germany, he became a surgeon in one of the commands. In 1852 he married Louisa Wanner, of Prussia, and they became the parents of seven children, viz.: Samuel; Tricot; Philip; Adam; William A.; Susan, and one that died in early youth. In 1853 Dr. Weiser immigrated to New Jersey, remained in that state one year, then came to Pittsburg, and from there to Zelienople, Butler county. He afterwards located at Middle Lancaster, where he practiced his profession until the fall of 1893, when he located at Evans City, and later removed to Harmony, where he is now engaged in practice. Dr. Weiser enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Sixty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was appointed surgeon of the field hospital in that command, and was discharged from the service in 1863. He is a member of the G. A. R., is a Lutheran in religious faith, and in politics, a Democrat.

Robert Boggs was one of the earliest settlers of Butler county. In 1796 he located on a tract of 400 acres of land, upon which the borough of Evans City now stands, and built his cabin in the midst of a wilderness. He was the second

son of James Boggs, a native of Ireland,, who removed from the vicinity of Philadelphia, about the year 1760, and settled on forty acres of land on the north bank of the Allegheny river, which now forms a part of Allegheny. Robert Boggs was one of a family of four children, as follows: Andrew; Robert; Nancy, who married Samuel Duncan, and Martha, who became the wife of a Mr. Moore. Their father was killed by a falling tree while clearing a small patch of land in Allegheny county, and his widow subsequently married a man named Robinson. Gen. William Robinson was the fruits of this union; he was for many years one of the wealthiest and most prominent men of Allegheny City. Robert Boggs learned the millwright's trade, and operated a mill prior to his settlement in Butler county. He married Martha, daughter of John Crawford, a pioneer of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, before settling in Butler county. He opened a tavern for the accommodation of the settlers and immigrants looking for homes, which stood upon the site of the present store of Boggs & Kline, of Evans City. Some years later he erected a grist mill, a very necessary improvement for that period, which stood upon the site of the present brick steam mill in Evans City. It was a log structure, and he operated it continuously until about 1836, when he sold the mill and 200 acres of land to Thomas B. Evans, who laid out the borough of Evans City, then called Evansburg. Mr. Boggs resided in that village until his death, in 1845, aged seventy-two years. Politically, he was a Jackson Democrat, filled the office of justice of the peace for many years, and also transacted much of the legal business of his neighbors, such as writing deeds, wills, etc. He always took an active part in political campaigns and wielded considerable influence in the councils of his party. Mr. Boggs was one of the original members of Plains Presbyterian church, and was buried in the cemetery near the church building of that organization, a plain stone marking his last resting place. By his marriage to Martha Crawford, he was the father of the following children: James, who married Nancy Richardson, and lives in Adams township; Elizabeth, who married Daniel Graham, and after his death a Mr. Evans; Margaret, who married Reese Evans; Mary, who became the wife of a Mr. Hill; Samuel, who married Jane Richardson; Andrew who married Mary Ann Irwin, and after her death Rachel Hazlett; Robert, who married Mary Jane McCandless, and Martha, who became the wife of Sylvester Ash. Robert Boggs' second wife was Mrs. Margaret McDonald, a sister of Angus McLeod of Forward township, and their children, were as follows: William, who first married Cynthia McDonald, and for his second wife Mrs. John Welsh; Thomas W., who married Mary E. Lemmon, and after her death Elizabeth Lyons; Nancy, who died unmarried, and Daniel, who married Sarah Hammel, and is the only living child of Robert Boggs, Sr.

Andrew Boggs, sixth child of Robert and Martha (Crawford) Boggs, was born January 6, 1806, on the site of Evans City, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He grew to manhood under the parental roof, learned the miller's trade, and succeeded to his father's business in the old mill. In 1836 he purchased seventy-six acres of land in Forward township, where he died April 10, 1886. He was a Democrat until 1855, then joined the Republican party, and was quite active

in the political circles of his time. He was a school director for many years, and filled the office of county commissioner from 1855 to 1858. He was an elder in the Plains Presbyterian church for half a century, being one of the original members of that society. Mr. Boggs was twice married, his first wife being Mary Ann, daughter of Archibald Irwin. Their children were as follows: Robert Irwin, of Allegheny; William F., of Pittsburg; Dr. Crawford A., deceased; Matilda, deceased wife of Capt. E. L. Gillespie, and James P. His second wife was Rachel Hazlett, who died in 1880, leaving one daughter, Mary A., wife of Daniel Dunbar of Forward township.

Capt. James P. Boggs, youngest son of Andrew and Mary Ann (Irwin) Boggs, was born August 12, 1839, upon his present homestead. He received a common school education and learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed until April 26, 1861, when he enlisted in Company D, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and served until 1864. He participated in the battles of Mechanicsville, Gaines Mill, Second Bull Run, Gettysburg, Mine Run and the Wilderness. He was severely wounded in the left temple at Second Bull Run, and at the battle of the Wilderness he received a wound from a minie-ball in the right thigh, and was laid up in the hospitals at Fredericksburg, Georgetown, and Philadelphia. He was taken prisoner at Gaines Mill, together with his entire regiment, by Stonewall Jackson, and sent to Castle Thunder, and then to Belle Isle, at Richmond, Virginia, where the men were exchanged and returned to their regiment. When his regiment was mustered into the service he was made corporal, was soon after promoted to first sergeant, in January, 1863, to first lieutenant, to captain May 1, 1864, and was mustered out of the service as brevet major. In 1865 he went into the oil fields of Venango and McKean counties, and was engaged in oil producing until 1881. In 1869–70 he was United States store keeper at Harmony, and is now engaged in farming upon the homestead, which he purchased several years ago. Mr. Boggs married Melissa J., daughter of Joseph Campbell, of Warren county, Pennsylvania, of which union have been born six children: Mary W.; Nettie; Frank W.; Carrie E.; Grace, and Zora G. A Republican, in politics, Captain Boggs has filled many of the offices of his township, and takes an active interest in political matters. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and he is connected with Capt. William Stewart Post, G. A. R., of Evans City, also with Camp 45, U. V. L., of Butler.

Thomas W. Boggs was born on the site of Evans City, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in February, 1813, and died in March, 1885. He was the second son of Robert Boggs, by his marriage with Mrs. Margaret McDonald, a sister of Angus McLeod. He learned the carpenter's trade and followed the same for many years. He was twice married. His first wife was Mary E. Lemmon, a daughter of Robert Lemmon, of Butler township, where she was born. Mrs. Boggs died in 1849, leaving one child, Henry C. Her husband was again married, to Elizabeth Lyons, to whom were born four children: J. E., of Massachusetts; Eva L., wife of J. D. Turner, of Phillipsburg, Allegheny county; Myra B., a resident of Allegheny, and C. L., who resides in the west. Mr. Boggs was a stanch Republican, and served as justice of the peace at Evans City

for fifteen years. For many years he was an elder in the Presbyterian church of Evans City, and was recognized as a worthy and honorable man.

Henry C. Boggs, of the firm of Boggs & Kline, merchants, Evans City, was born on the site of Evans City, Butler county, December 21, 1847, and is a son of Thomas W. and Mary E. (Lemmon) Boggs, and a grandson of Robert Boggs, one of the pioneers of Forward township. He was reared at Evans City, and received his education in the district school. In 1870 he engaged in merchandising at Evans City, and has continued in that line up to the present. In 1888 he formed a partnership with John W. Kline, since which time the firm of Boggs & Kline has carried on the business. Mr. Boggs was one of the organizers of the Long Oil Company, is treasurer of the same, and is interested in several other oil productions. In 1865 he enlisted in Company I, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in which he served seven months. In 1870 he married Mary E., daughter of William Liken, of Jackson township, and has five living children: Flora L.; Harry G.; Iva L.; William Lee, and Margueretta L. Earl Wallace was accidentally killed by the discharge of a gun, February 25, 1892. Mr. Boggs is a Republican in politics, was appointed postmaster of Evans City by President Grant, and served twelve years. He was again appointed by President Harrison, in 1889, and served his full term. He has filled the office of school director, and has also been a member of the borough council. He is a member of Captain Stewart Post, G. A. R., also of Evans City Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Select Knights, and the A. O. U. W. He and family are members of the Baptist church of Evans City, in which he has served as treasurer, and took quite an active part in the erection of the present church building.

John W. Kline, of the firm of Boggs & Kline, was born in Forward township, Butler county, August 13, 1861, son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Barringer) Kline, now residents of Forward township. Mr. Kline received a good education in the district and select schools, and taught for ten years in the public schools of Forward and Cranberry townships, and Evans City. In 1888 he became a member of the present firm, and has since devoted his attention to merchandising. He was married in September, 1888, to Maggie, daughter of Christian Textor, of Jackson township, and has two children: Grace, and Roscoe T. His wife is a member of the German Reformed church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the school board of Evans City.

Lewis Gansz, Sr., was born in Germany, in 1803, and immigrated to the United States in 1831. A few years later his parents came to this country and settled at Zelienople, Butler county, whence they removed to Pittsburg. Mr. Gansz remained in Butler county, and became foreman of the Harmony tannery. In 1844 he located in what is now Evans City, later purchased the McIlwain tannery, and operated it for many years. Politically, he was a Democrat, and filled the office of justice of the peace for fifteen years. He was a prominent member of the German Reformed church, and assisted in the erection of the church building of that denomination at Evans City. He married Margaret Textor, and they were the parents of five children: Martin, who died in infancy; Susan, who married John Ash; John, of Fayette county; Lewis, of Evans City,

and Mary, widow of Dr. Thomas Kersting, of the same place. His wife died in 1876; he survived her until September 7, 1885.

Lewis Gansz, oil producer, was born at Harmony, Butler county, March 26, 1839, son of Lewis and Margaret Gansz. He was reared in Evans City, and received a common school education. He learned the tanner's trade with his father, succeeded him in that business, and was also engaged in the boot and shoe trade at Evans City for some years. Mr. Gansz retired from business in 1883, began operating in oil in 1887, organized the Gansz Oil Company, of which he has been president up to the present, and is one of the most extensive and successful operators in Butler county. In 1864 he enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers and served until the close of the war, holding the rank of lieutenant. Mr. Gansz was married in November, 1879, to Lizzie, daughter of Sylvester Ash, a native of Forward township, Butler county. Mrs. Gansz is a member of the United Presbyterian church and takes a deep interest in the prosperity of that organization. Politically, he is a Democrat, but his extensive business interests have prevented him from taking any active part in political matters.

Dr. William Irvine, of Evans City, is one of the oldest and best known citizens in Butler county. He is a native of Adams township, where he was born February 17, 1828. His parents, Samuel and Elizabeth (Richardson) Irvine, were natives of Pennsylvania, the former of Irish and the latter of Scotch ancestry. His grandfather, James Irvine, settled in what is now Adams township towards the close of the Eighteenth century, and was one of its pioneer school teachers. Dr. Irvine's boyhood was spent midst pioneer surroundings, and his education was obtained at common and select schools. He taught a few terms in early manhood, and supplemented his knowledge by diligent study during his spare time. He finally made up his mind to enter the medical profession, and commenced reading medicine under Dr. Willlam Sterrett, the first permanent physician of Evans City. He attended lectures at the Western Reserve Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, and subsequently at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and graduated from the latter institution in March, 1855. Two years prior to his graduation he begun practice at Evans City, and has thus been in the active duties of his profession for the past forty-two years. Throughout this long and eventful period he has ministered to the people of his community in such a creditable manner as to win the respect and confidence of a large clientele. Dr. Irvine was married October 13, 1853, to Elizabeth Fife, a daughter of Maj. John Fife, of Allegheny county, where Mrs. Irvine was born and reared. Of the seven children that blessed this marriage, six grew to maturity, as follows: Belle, wife of Dr. J. M. List, of Evans City; Elizabeth, wife of William H. Gelbach, of Zelienople; Henrietta, deceased wife of Prof. M. A. Sutton; Annie, wife of Prof. A. Brown; S. J., and Margaret J., who died in April, 1893. Mrs. Irvine died November 13, 1894, after a happy married life of over forty-one years. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, a faithful and affectionate helpmate, and a fond and loving mother. The Doctor is an elder in the Presbyterian church of Evans City. Politically, he has been a Republican since the organization of that party. In 1863 he was appointed by Governor

Curtin an examining surgeon, to examine recruits for military service, and was a loyal supporter of the government throughout the war. In 1876 he was elected to the legislature, and served in the sessions of 1877 and 1878, performing his duties faithfully and well. He yet takes a deep interest in public affairs, and is recognized as one of the leading citizens of his native county.

John N. Miller was born in Alsace, France, July 26, 1823, son of Peter and Margaret Miller. He immigrated to the United States in 1853, and located in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, but the same year he came to Evans City, where he worked at the shoemaker's trade for seventeen years. In 1868 he embarked in the hotel business, and continued to conduct the same until 1891, when he was succeeded by his son, Charles H. He erected the Miller House in 1876. In 1853 he married Christina Rape, a daughter of Adam Rape, a native of Germany, and by this union six children were born to him: Sarah, wife of S. A. Beam, of Harmony; Margaret, wife of Edward Dambach, of Evans City; Charles H., proprietor of the Miller House, Evans City; Emma C.; Matilda S., and Lewis T., deceased. Before coming to America, Mr. Miller served seven years in the Marine Corps of the French army, and visited Mexico, California, the West Indies, Brazil, Spain, Chili and Australia. He died at his home in Evans City, January 26, 1894. He was a member of the German Reformed church, to which denomination his family also belongs. He was a stanch Democrat, in politics, and was a member of Evans City Lodge, I. O. O. F. Mr. Miller was largely interested in farming and oil property, and by strict attention to his business he had accumulated through the passing years a handsome competence.

John Rohner, cashier of the Citizens Bank, of Evans City, was born in Bavaria, Germany, February 16, 1830, and is a son of John and Margaret Rohner. His father died when our subject was a child, and his mother immigrated to the United States in 1843. She located in Adams township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where John grew to manhood. She married John Croft, and died in Forward township in 1889. By her second marriage she became the mother of the following children: John and Andrew, both deceased; Samuel, of Forward township; George, a resident of Mt. Chestnut, and Margaret, wife of Taylor Martin. The subject of this sketch attended the common schools in Germany, and the public schools of Butler county. He afterwards engaged as a farm laborer, and by strict economy saved enough to purchase a farm. In 1854 he married Margaret L., daughter of David Duncan, of Cranberry township, and resided upon a farm in that township until 1883. In that year he located at Evans City, and became a partner in the banking house of Jacob Dambach & Company, now an incorporated State bank, Mr. Rohner being one of the incorporators and now cashier. Mr. Rohner is one of the incorporators of the Evans City Cemetery Company, and is a stockholder and director in the same. He was also one of the early oil producers in the Harmony field. In politics, he is a Republican, served ten years as justice of the peace in Cranberry township, several years as school director, and has been justice of the peace in Evans City since 1890. He is the father of three children, as follows: Sarah Olive, wife of Frank P. Confer, of Allegheny; Luella, a teacher in the public schools of Evans City,

who married Samuel C. Crider, of Cranberry township, in January, 1894, and David Elmer, who died when twenty-seven years of age. Mr. Rohner and family are members of the United Presbyterian church of Evans City, and he is now a trustee in that body.

JOHN BARKEY, SR., was a native of Butler county, and a merchant in Evans City for several years. He married Deborah Davidheiser, to which union were born eleven children, five of whom are living, as follows: Susan, wife of Frederick Rohiser; John; Enos; Lizzie, wife of Richard Allen, and Sarah, wife of William Stewart. Mr. Barkey died in 1869 He was a member of the Mennonite church, and a very worthy citizen. In politics, he was a Democrat, but took no active interest in such matters. His widow resides in Evans City.

JOHN BARKEY, coal dealer, Evans City, was born in that borough, May 10, 1854, and is a son of John Barkey, Sr. He received a common school education, and for many years was local agent for the Singer Sewing Machine Company. In 1890 he joined his brother, Enos, who had been in the coal business since 1887. The business was a success from the beginning, and they now enjoy an extensive trade. He was married in 1889, to Ida E., daughter of Thomas Wilson, of Jackson township, and has three children: Charles Spurgeon; Ray Edison, and John Wilson. Both he and wife are members of the Evans City Baptist church, in which organization he is a trustee and a teacher in the Sunday school. He is one of the active and energetic workers in the church. He is an ardent advocate of temperance principles, and in politics, he is a Prohibitionist.

ENOS BARKEY, coal dealer, Evans City, was born in that borough, February 15, 1863, son of John Barkey, Sr. He attended the public schools until the age of fifteen years, after which he worked on a farm for five years. In 1887 he engaged in the coal business, conducting it successfully until 1890, when he admitted his brother, John Barkey, as a partner. The firm now does a very large and successful business, and is one of the leading coal dealing firms of the township. In 1883 Mr. Barkey married Annie E. Barto, a daughter of Daniel and Catherine (Wimer) Barto, of Beaver county, parents of eight children, six of whom are living. The following children, all living, have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Barkey: Mary Ethel, born February 25, 1884; Clara Blanch, November 4, 1886, and Anna Luella, December 1, 1891.

EDWARD WHITE was a native of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and a son of Matthew White, who moved from Allegheny county, to Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1799, where the balance of his life was passed. Edward was a farmer and hotel keeper, and carried on a hotel at Whitestown, which became a well known stopping place for travelers between Pittsburg and Franklin. He married Elizabeth Sullivan, a daughter of Charles and Susannah Sullivan, pioneers of Butler county, to whom was born eight children. Six of these are now living, as follows: Eveline, who married John Martin, of Prospect; Charles M., a resident of Peebles, Ohio; James Madison, who resides at Braddock; Susan E., wife of Joseph Ash, of Evans City, and Benjamin F., and John M., both residents of Evans City. Mr. White died in 1844, and his widow married William C. Martin, and died in 1876. They were members of the

Presbyterian church. He was a stanch Democrat, and filled various township offices, and was also captain of a militia company for fifteen years.

JOHN M. WHITE, boot and shoe merchant, of Evans City, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, May 25, 1841, and is the youngest living child of Edward and Elizabeth White. He received his education in the township schools and at Prospect and Sunbury Academies and afterwards engaged in teaching. In 1861 he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served eighteen months. He re-enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Eighty-sixth Ohio Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, participating in all the battles in which those regiments took part during his term of service. After the war he embarked in merchandising at Allegheny and later at Evans City, where he still carries on business. Mr. White was married in 1868, to Mary S., daughter of Jacob Stamm, of Butler county. They had one daughter, who died at the age of thirteen years. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and is the present postmaster of Evans City, to which office he was appointed in November, 1893.

GEORGE IFFT, SR., was born in Germany, in 1815, and at the age of seventeen years, in 1832, he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and found employment with his uncle, Peter Ifft, in Beaver county. In 1838 he married Sophia Reeb, and located on his father-in-law's farm in Cranberry township, Butler county. In 1841 he purchased a farm in Jackson township, and in 1850 removed to the present homestead in Jackson township, near the limits of Evans City. He died there April 19, 1891. His wife was born in Germany, in 1822, and came to the United States with her father, Nicholas Reeb, in 1827, and settled in Cranberry township, Butler county the same year. Her father served in one of the great Napoleon's cavalry regiments for twelve years. He finally retired from his farm to Evans City, where he died in 1869, dying as he had lived, a member of the Lutheran church. To George and Sophia Ifft were born eight children, seven of whom are living: George, of Jackson township; Catherine, widow of Peter Peiffer, of Forward township; William, of Zelienople; Sarah, wife of George Lotz, of Forward township; Henry J., of Evans City; Nicholas, of the same place, and Lewis, of Washington, D. C. Politically, Mr. Ifft was a Democrat, and filled a number of the township offices. He gave liberally towards the erection of two Lutheran churches at Evans City, and was an elder in the church for many years.

HENRY J. IFFT, merchant, Evans City, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, May 1, 1849, and is a son of George and Sophia Ifft. He was educated in the public schools, and in 1866 he went to Pittsburg and became a clerk in a grocery store. In March, 1868, he embarked in merchandising at Evans City, in partnership with his father, the firm name being George Ifft. The firm was composed of his father, himself, and his brothers, William, Nicholas and Lewis. In 1872 William retired from the firm, Nicholas in 1883, and Lewis in November, 1890, but William afterwards repurchased a quarter interest, which was recently purchased by the subject of this sketch, who is now the sole owner of the business. This is the oldest mercantile establishment in Evans

City, and carries on an extensive trade. In 1872 he married Agnes A., daughter of John Lyon, of Penn township, and sister of ex-mayor Robert W. Lyon, of Pittsburg. They are the parents of four children, as follows: Carrie Leona; Charles W.; Mary Josephine, and Frances B. Mr. Ifft and family are connected with the United Presbyterian church of Evans City, in which organization he holds the office of trustee. In politics, he is a Democrat, has served in the borough council, has been a member of the school board for several years, and has been president of the board for one term.

George Ifft is the eldest son of George and Sophia Ifft, and was born in Jackson township, Butler county, August 26, 1839, where he was also reared and educated. At the age of twenty-two he located upon a rented farm, and subsequently entered the employ of Frazier & Metzgar, paper manufacturers of Pittsburg, with whom he remained fifteen years. In 1875 he purchased his present farm, erected buildings thereon, and otherwise improved it. He was married in 1861 to Miss Amelia Shilling, who died in 1890. She was the mother of the following children: Sophia, wife of Herman Drebert; Emma, wife of George Twentier; William; Jennie, wife of John Bandy; Sarah, wife of J. E. Brown; George; Alexander; Lydia; Herman, and John. In politics, Mr. Ifft is a Democrat, has filled the offices of supervisor and overseer of the poor for twelve years, and is one of the present school directors of the township. For twenty years he has been an elder in the Lutheran church.

John N. Ifft, son of George and Sophia (Reeb) Ifft, was born on July 23, 1853, in Jackson township, Butler county, and received a good public school education. Upon the death of his father he purchased the homestead, and is operating a stock farm of 125 acres. He is engaged in the breeding of French Norman, English Shire and Cleveland Bay coach horses. Among his horses are the following registered stock: Barton Boy, Number 6,680, sired by Charleston, dam Brown Bonny, imported by Bell Brothers, of Wooster, Ohio; Reigning Monarch, Number 6,235, bred by John Robinson, of England, sired by Lincoln, Number 1,351, grandsire Bold Lincoln, Number 231, dam Rival, Number 2,885, imported by Bell Brothers; French Norman stallion, Hercula, Number 4,320, bred by J. B. Kale, of Normandy, France, sired by Brenus, Number 1,958, dam Ulina, Number 2,763, imported by Isaac Dreifoos, of Pittsburg; also Noble Prince, Number 924, bred by William Rook, of Rooksborough, Kirby Moorside, Yorkshire, England, imported by the Cleveland Bay Horse Company, of Paw Paw, Michigan, foaled in 1890, sired by Prince George, Number 235, dam Rose, Number 250. He is also engaged in the breeding of high grade cattle, and devotes much time to the growth and development of the stock interests in Pennsylvania. Mr. Ifft was married August 24, 1882, to Mary L., daughter of George Datt, of Richland township, Allegheny county. Three children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Maggie, Mabel, and Omer. In politics, Mr. Ifft is a Democrat, and in religious faith, he is connected with the Lutheran church.

Joseph Allen was a native of England, and came to the United States in 1818, with his wife, Jane (Slee) Allen, and two children, Elizabeth and William. The family located in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where our subject found

Wm Dinsinger

employment, under Colonel Watson, in paving the streets of that city. Being a butcher, he afterwards engaged in that business in Pittsburg. In 1836 he came to Butler county, and located on a farm in Jackson township. Here he remained eleven years, and then returned to Allegheny county, and located on a farm near Pittsburg, where he died September 25, 1865. His wife died October 12, 1832, and he married a Mrs. Polliett, who died in 1865. By his first marriage, he was the father of eleven children, seven of whom are living: Elizabeth, who married Washington Watson; William; Ann, wife of Charles Cheney, of Beaver county; Richard, a resident of Pittsburg; Susan, wife of James Reyburn of the same city; Sarah, wife of Jesse Johnson, of Mt. Chestnut, Butler county, and John, who resides in Pittsburg. Mr. Allen was a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Protestant Episcopal church of Pittsburg, up to his death.

William Allen, Sr., was born in Northumberlandshire, England, April 11, 1817, and is the eldest son of Joseph and Jane (Slee) Allen. He came with his parents to America in 1818, and in 1836 removed with them to Butler county. In 1839 he married Catherine, daughter of Anthony Byer of Zelienople, to which borough he removed from the farm in 1845, engaged in butchering and continued in the same line of business until 1880, when he retired. He is the father of eight living children, as follows: Joseph, and Richard, both residents of Pittsburg; William, of Zelienople; Anthony, of Butler; Emma, wife of William Fidell, of Allegheny City; Barbara, wife of Henry Schaffer, of Harmony; Susan, wife of Charles Stokey, of Zelienople, and Mary. The family are adherents of the English Lutheran church of Zelienople. Politically, Mr. Allen is a Democrat, and has filled several offices in Jackson township.

William Allen, Jr., of the firm of Allen & Dambach, Zelienople, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, May 17, 1845, and is the third son of William Allen, Sr. He received a common school education, and learned the butcher's trade with his father. In 1867 he commenced buying produce from the farmers, and continued that business for twenty-three years, making weekly trips by wagon to Pittsburg. In 1889 he became a member of the present firm of Allen & Dambach. Mr. Allen was married in 1873, to Mary, daughter of Henry Frank, of Jackson township, and to this union have been born six children: Harry H.; Frank; Jennie; Mary; Elmer, and Earl. Mrs. Allen is a member of the German Reformed church of Zelienople. Politically, Mr. Allen is a Democrat, has served in the borough council, also on the school board, and has filled the office of constable in his township.

Frederick Burry was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1823, and was a son of Frederick Burry, Sr., a native of Germany, and one of the pioneers of Beaver county. Burry church in that county was named in his honor. Our subject married Catherine Phillips, and they located in Franklin township, Butler county, about 1850. They cleared a farm and resided there until 1876, when they removed to Butler, where Mr. Burry died in 1882. His widow still resides in that borough. They were the parents of nine children, seven of whom are living: Louisa, wife of Samuel Croup, of Butler township; Frederick, of Franklin township; Margaret, wife of Adam Renno, of Butler; Catherine, who married Henry Wagner of the same place; Mary Ann, wife of Philip Smith, of Butler;

Phœbe, wife of Eli May, also a resident of that borough, and Lewis N., a resident of Evans City.

Lewis N. Burry, dealer in hardware, stoves, etc., Evans City, was born in Franklin township, Butler county, March 10, 1862, and is the youngest son of Frederick and Catherine Burry. He was reared in his native township, and attended the public schools there and in Butler. He learned the tinsmith's trade at Evans City, where he located in 1879, and in 1887 he established his present business. In 1887 Mr. Burry married Mary, daughter of Edward Zehner, of Zelienople, and has three children: Ina, Alma, and Grace. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Evans City. He is a member of Harmony Lodge, F. & A. M., Evans City Lodge, K. of P., and Evans City Council, Jr., O. U. A. M. In politics, he is a Republican.

Andrew Douglass was born in Brady township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, August 14, 1810, and was a son of Edward Douglass, a native of Scotland, who settled in what is now Brady township in May, 1797, where he took up 400 acres of land, and cleared and improved a farm. Edward Douglass was a wagon-maker, and was quite a handy man in the community. He was a member of Wolf Creek Seceder church. He married Hannah Kelly, a native of Ireland, and died in 1847, aged seventy-eight years. His wife survived him until 1861, living to the ripe old age of eighty-six years. They reared a family of nine children, Andrew being the third child. He was educated in the common schools of pioneer days, learned the tanner's trade, and after his marriage located in Portersville, and later removed to Prospect, where he owned and conducted a tannery. He was married twice, his first wife being Catherine, a daughter of Capt. John Boston, to which union two children were born: Edward E., and John A., the latter deceased. He married for his second wife Ellen Douglass, to whom were born five children: John, Andrew, and Lewis, all deceased; William C., and Margaret, wife of Harry Bloom, of Beaver Falls. Mr. Douglass and wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he was a Democrat. He died in 1878; his widow resides in Beaver Falls.

William C. Douglass, harness-maker, Evans City, was born in Portersville, Butler county, April 12, 1851, son of Andrew and Ellen Douglass. He was reared under the parental roof and learned the harness-maker's trade at Indiana, Pennsylvania. In 1873 he commenced business at Prospect, Butler county, removed to Edenburg, Clarion county, in 1876, and in 1882 located at Evans City, where he has since carried on business. He was also identified with the Wahl and Bishop Oil Company. In 1874, he married Annie K., daughter of Henry Grine, of Prospect, who has had three children: Charles C., who graduated at the Slippery Rock State Normal School in the class of 1894, taught school for a short time and died, after a week's illness, October 27, 1894; Milton H., and Russell W. Mr. Douglass is a Democrat, is now serving his third term as a school director in Evans City, and has also served as burgess of the borough one term. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., K. of P., and Evans City Lodge, A. O. U. W. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been a trustee in the Evans City organization.

PHILIP RIPPER is a native of Germany, and came to the United States in 1850. He learned the tailor's trade in his native land, which he followed in Germany and the United States. In 1852 he brought his family to this country and located at Zelienople, Butler county, where he resided until 1867, engaged in the brewery business, tailoring, and dealing in coal. In that year he located on a farm in Forward township, and has since resided in that subdivision and Jackson township. He married, in Germany, Elizabeth Doerr, and they are the parents of seven children, as follows: John A.; J. P.; P. H.; George; Lizzie, wife of Adolph Kober; Leonard, and John. Mr. Ripper and wife belong to the German Lutheran church, of which he became a member in the year 1852.

JOHN A. RIPPER was born in Germany, October 26, 1850, and is the eldest son of Philip Ripper. In 1865, at the age of fifteen years, he commenced to learn the shoemaker's trade at Butler, and worked there about six years, and about five years in Pittsburg. He then located at Petersville, Butler county. He was married in 1876, to Margaret, daughter of Leonard Kropp, of Allegheny City. In 1877 he removed to Evans City, worked at his trade there until 1888, and then engaged in the news and stationery business. He was elected justice of the peace in 1884, has since filled that office, and has also been burgess, tax collector and assessor of the borough. In politics, he is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of the German Lutheran church, in which body he was trustee, also secretary, and is now treasurer, which position he has held for four terms. He has a family of five children, as follows: Lizzie; Charles J.; Bertha M.; William A., and Nora M.

DR. H. M. WILSON was born at Luthersburg, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, son of Dr. George and Anna (Huber) Wilson. He received a public school education, read medicine with his brother, Dr. C. A. Wilson, and graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, in 1887. He commenced practice at Stanton, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, the same year, and remained there until January 15, 1891, when he located at Evans City. In October, 1892, he formed a partnership with his brother, Dr. J. C. Wilson, under the firm name of H. M. & J. C. Wilson, and has built up and enjoys a large practice. He is a member of the Butler County and Jefferson County Medical Societies; also of the State Medical Society, and the National Association of Railway Surgeons. He is surgeon for the Pittsburg and Western Railway Company at Evans City, and is recognized as one of the leading physicians of that part of the county. Dr. Wilson is a member of the K. of P., and the I. O. O. F., and takes a deep interest in the growth and prosperity of his adopted home.

DR. JOSEPH C. WILSON was born at Luthersburg, Clearfield county, March 12, 1854, son of Dr. George and Anna Wilson. After receiving a public school education, he entered the State Normal School at Edinboro, and was graduated from that institution in 1879. He then taught for three years, and filled the position of principal of the public schools of Reynoldsville, Jefferson county. He read medicine with his father, Dr. George Wilson, and his brother, Dr. C. A. Wilson, and graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore. He commenced practice at Sigel, Jefferson county, whence

he removed to Evans City, Butler county, in October, 1892, and formed the present partnership of H. M. & J. C. Wilson, physicians and surgeons. He was married in 1884, to Ratie A., daughter of John F. Hummer, of Titusville, Pennsylvania, and has one daughter, Anna. He is a member of the Jefferson County Medical Society; also of the State Medical Society, and is connected with the K. of P., and the Masonic order.

Rev. John M. Dight, of Evans City, is a son of Richard W. and Matilda (Downs) Dight. His mother was a descendant of an old and prominent family that settled at an early date at Redbank, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, His parents removed to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, where John M. was born, May 30, 1843. His primary education was obtained at the old Stokley school house, two miles from the town of Mercer, on the Franklin pike. He grew to manhood on his father's farm, following the usual avocations of a farmer's life. He taught school when nineteen years of age, as an introduction to an extensive experience in school work. When he was twenty-one years of age he removed with his parents to Sandy Lake township, where he lived until the age of twenty-four. In 1869 he entered Westminster College, at New Wilmington, Lawrence county, and subsequently attended Allegheny college, at Meadville, and graduated June 26, 1874. In the spring of 1875, Mr. Dight was elected county superintendent of schools of Mercer county, which office he filled for three years. He then entered the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary of Allegheny City, and graduated from that institution in 1880. He was at once called to his present charge, was ordained June 9, 1880, and has been the continuous pastor of his present charge, consisting of the United Presbyterian churches at Evans City, and Mount Pleasant, Allegheny county, during the past fourteen years. Mr. Dight was the originator of the Evans City Cemetery, and is president of the Evans City Natural Gas Company, which he re-organized and placed upon a paying basis. Politically, he is a Republican, and while not a Prohibitionist, he is a warm friend of the temperance cause. Mr. Dight was married August 24, 1875, to Martha, daughter of John Richey, of Sunville, Venango county, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of four sons and one daughter, as follows: John C.; Herman H.; Howard W.; Alice, and Eugene K. Mr. Dight early learned the useful lesson of self-dependence. He made his way through college and the theological seminary unaided, and his success in life has been the result of his own untiring efforts.

Rev. Louis Wagner, son of Nicholas H. and Catherine (Kuntz) Wagner, was born in Bavaria, Germany, August 24, 1857. His father was a professor of classics at St. Wendenlinus College, of the City of St. Wendenl, where our subject received his preparatory education, and graduated in 1880. He afterwards attended the University of Leipsic, where he was graduated in 1882. He came to the United States the same year, entered the theological department of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and graduated from that institution in 1885. He then commenced teaching classics in the German and English College at Wheeling, West Virginia, was called as pastor of St. John's church, Perryville, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1885, and was ordained in 1885, in which year he accepted the pastorate of his present church at Evans City.

Mr. Wagner was married in 1886, to Sophia, daughter of Rev. C. F. W. Brecht, of Perryville, where the latter has had charge of a church for forty years, and has also preached in Butler county for twenty-four years. Two children are the fruits of this union: Tabitha, and Theodosia. Mr. Wagner is a member of the Joint Synod of Ohio and other States, and is one of the well-known ministers of his denomination. Politically, he is a Republican, is one of the enterprising citizens of the county, and takes a deep interest in all public matters.

John Hazlett was born in County Down, Ireland, August 12, 1783. At the age of twenty-eight he came to America, and settled in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. On the 12th of May, 1806, he was married to Mary Campbell, who came to this country a year or two before her husband. In 1828 they removed to the town of Allegheny, Allegheny county, and soon afterwards to a farm near the site of Evans City, Butler county, now owned by James Sutton and Joseph Ash. Mr. Hazlett subsequently removed to Allegheny City, where he established the first white lead works west of the Allegheny mountains. In 1844 these works were incorporated under the firm style of Fahnestock, Hazlett & Schwartz, which later became Schwartz & Hazlett, but are now known as the Pennsylvania Lead Works. Mr. Hazlett died March 9, 1869, aged eighty-seven years, at the residence of his son, John, in Allegheny City. His wife died April 10, 1824. Their family consisted of ten children, as follows: The two oldest who died in infancy; Mary; Robert, deceased; Martha, who is in her eighty-fourth year and resides in Wilkinsburg; Annabell, deceased; Sarah, a resident of LeClair, Iowa; Rachel; John, and Joseph, the last deceased.

Robert Hazlett, eldest son of John and Mary Hazlett, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, April 20, 1809. He removed with his parents to Butler county, and afterwards to Allegheny City, where he was engaged with his father in the manufacture of white lead. He was married, October 21, 1834, to Janette McKee, of Allegheny City, to whom were born eight children, viz.: John M., deceased; Robert C.; James, deceased; Joseph E.; William J.; Samuel W.; Andrew N., and Anna M. J., wife of William S. Watt, who resides near Wilkinsburg. Joseph E. and William J. were missing from their home at the lead works one evening in December, 1852, and were never heard of again. They were supposed to have been drowned in the Allegheny river, as the works were situated on the river bank. Mr. Hazlett died on his farm near Evans City, November 8, 1866. His wife died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Watt, of Wilkinsburg, May 14, 1881.

Samuel W. Hazlett, fifth son of Robert Hazlett, was born in the old log house on the homestead of his grandfather, John Hazlett, near Evans City, Butler county, December 28, 1847, obtained a common school education and has since been employed in the mercantile business. In the fall of 1868, he and two companions went to the head waters of the Sioux river, Dakotah Territory, for the purpose of securing government land for settlement, and were the only white men who remained in that valley after the Sioux massacre of 1862. They hunted and trapped, and were pursued by Indians several times, but escaped. Mr. Hazlett returned to Allegheny City, where he was married in May, 1877, to Maggie

M. Stewart, daughter of David and Eliza (Scott) Stewart, of the same place. Three children are the fruits of their union, viz.: Percy S.; Mabel S., and William E., deceased. In 1878 Mr. Hazlett returned to Evans City, and sold goods on the road during the year that the Pittsburg and Western railroad was opened. He has since been engaged in clerking, with his residence at Evans City. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, has filled the office of trustee, and is now an elder. In politics, Mr. Hazlett is a Republican, and has served in the borough council of Evans City for two terms.

Jeremiah Sutton, a native of New Jersey, settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, about the close of the Revolutionary war, having served through that struggle as a member of a New Jersey regiment. About 1800 he came to Butler county, settled in Concord township, and purchased 100 acres of land, which he cleared and improved, and spent the balance of his life thereon. He married in New Jersey, and had one daughter, Polly, who became the wife of a man named Voorhees, and three sons, Platt, Joseph, and Jeremiah.

Platt Sutton was born in New Jersey, and came to Butler county for his father on a tour of inspection, selected the land which his father afterwards purchased, and, after the death of the latter, he bought it, and resided upon it to the time of his death. He married Elizabeth Sterling, of Westmoreland county, to whom were born the following children: Mary, who married John Sutton; Nancy, who married John Harper; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Andrew Bowman; Jeremiah, and Joseph, both of whom are dead; Phoebe, who resides on the homestead; Margaret, wife of Scott Jamison; Platt, and James. Platt Sutton, Sr., served in the War of 1812, and died in 1852, aged seventy-seven years. His wife died in 1843. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

James Sutton, youngest son of Platt and Elizabeth Sutton, was born upon the homestead in Concord township, Butler county, October 21, 1821. He received a meager education in the log school houses of pioneer days, inherited the homestead, and lived thereon until 1873. In that year he purchased the Robert Kinnear farm in Forward township, consisting of 156 acres, upon which he resided until 1891, then erected his present home in Evans City, and retired from active business. Mr. Sutton was married in 1860, to Dorcas, daughter of Mordica Graham, of Forward township. They are the parents of six children, five of whom are living, as follows: Mordica; Alva; Elmer P.; Mary E., wife of John Irwin; Ora, and Harry W. Mr. Sutton is a member of the Presbyterian church, and although in early life a Republican in politics, he is now independent.

Gustave Griesbach, oil producer, was born in Germany, October 3, 1849, son of Christain and Hannah Griesbach. He immigrated to the United States in 1873, located in Pittsburg, and worked at butchering for four and a half years. In 1877 he married Catherine, daughter of John Dombart of Forward township, and in 1879 located in Evans City, engaged in the butchering business, and followed it for eleven years. In 1889 he embarked in oil producing at Bakerstown, and in 1890 he organized the Griesbach Oil Company, which has since been one of the heavy producers in this field, operating largely on the Little Connoquen-

essing creek. Mr. Griesbach is a Republican, and has served on the school board of Evans City. He is a member of the Reformed church of Evans City, and is a trustee in that organization. Seven children are the fruits of his marriage to Catherine Dombart, as follows: Annie M.; Albert G.; Walter C.; Amanda L.; Clyde G.: Clara P., and Gustave A. Mr. Griesbach is one of the solid and substantial oil producers of Evans City.

Rev. Henry Voegele was born in Jackson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1842. His parents were Frederick and Catherine (Sweitzer) Voegele, natives of Alsace, Germany, who immigrated to Pennsylvania about 1833, and settled at Harmony, Butler county. His father was a weaver, and followed that business here about two years, then purchased a farm, in Jackson township, where Philip Voegele now lives, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1876. His widow survived him until the spring of 1886. Their children were as follows: Philip and Frederick, both of whom are dead; Catherine, wife of Philip Wolfe; Margaret, wife of Gottlieb Henzel; Philip, and Henry. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and contributed towards the erection of the first building at Zelienople. The subject of this sketch received his primary education in the public schools, subsequently attended Union College, Queensburg, Ohio, and studied theology with the Rev. Lewis Troutman, of Canton, Ohio. Mr. Voegele was called to the Boliver charge, in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, in 1868; was licensed at Ashland, Ohio, the same year, and in 1869, was ordained at Wooster, Ohio. He spent two years at Bolivar, and then became pastor at Canton, where he continued as pastor for thirteen years. His next charge was St. John's German Lutheran church, Pulaski county, Indiana, where he remained two and a half years, and then became pastor of St. Martin's church, LeRoy, New York, where he continued to preach for three years. In 1890 he accepted a call from St. Peter's Evangelical Union church, of Evans City, and also of Zion Evangelical Lutheran church, at Mount Hope. Mr. Voegele was married in 1869, to Lydia, daughter of Samuel Weidman, of Stark county, Ohio. In 1887 he was married the second time to Lucindy D. Sailer, of Le Roy, New York, which union has been blessed by three children: Elizabeth C.; Charley F., and Margaret Mary. He is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, of Pittsburg, and is well known in his church throughout western Pennsylvania. He supports the Republican party, and takes quite an active interest in public affairs.

Zeno Markel was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1815, son of Daniel and Hannah (Hartzell) Markel, natives of Montgomery and Bucks counties, respectively. His father was a major in the War of 1812. Mr. Markel is the youngest of seven children, all of whom are dead except himself and Lydia, wife of Philip Klein, of Montgomery county. At eighteen years of age he removed to Montgomery county, there learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1838 came west to Beaver county, where he worked at his trade for two years. In 1839 he married Susannah Stamm, a daughter of David Stamm, of Beaver county, and in 1840 he located in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, where he continued farming for eight years. He removed from Muddy Creek to Forward township, and resided in the latter until 1889, when he retired to Evans City to spend the

remaining years of his life. He is the father of three children, as follows: Maria, wife of John Weaver, of Penn township; Hannah, and Daniel. Mr. Markel and wife are members of the Reformed church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Daniel Markel, only son of Zeno Markel, was born in Forward township, Butler county, May 7, 1854, and was reared and educated in his native township, where he has always been engaged in farming. In 1879 he married Mary A., daughter of John Helm, of Evans City, and located on a farm in Forward township. He resided there until 1889, and then removed to Evans City. Mr. Markle was one of the organizers of the Rough Run Manufacturing Company, Limited. He has a family of eight children: Lawrence O.; Flora T.; Emma; Amanda D; Lewilla C.; Iva Marie; Karl H., and Zeno H. He and wife are members of the English Reformed church, in which body he fills the office of trustee. Mr. Markle is a stanch Democrat, has served as burgess of Evans City, and also in the borough council.

James Beers was born in Down county, Ireland, in June, 1807, and was reared to farm life, and also followed boating. He married Jane, daughter of Samuel Ferguson, of the same place, to which union were born eleven children: Ellen, and Sarah, both deceased; Catherine, wife of John Cashdollar, of Adams township; Samuel; John; Ellen, wife of J. M. Little, of Callery; James; Margaret, wife of Robert McKee, of Fayette county; Alexander M.; Robert, and Eliza, wife of R. J. Park, of Adams township. Mr. Beers came to the United States in 1827, first settled in Missouri, then removed to Louisiana, and from there to Pittsburg, whence he came to Butler county. He purchased the Patterson farm in Adams township, also the Johnson farm, and a part of the Patton farm, making in all 106 acres. He also bought mining property in Fayette county, where he mined fire clay and quarried rock. He owned property at Dunbar, Fayette county, and was quite a prosperous business man down to his death, in July, 1886. His widow survived until March, 1888. They were members of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, Mr. Beers was a Democrat, filled the office of school director for several years, and took an active interest in public affairs.

Alexander M. Beers, fourth son of James Beers, was born upon the Beers homestead, in Adams township, Butler county, December 18, 1850. He received a common school education, and followed farming until 1877, when he removed to Dunbar, Fayette county, and went into the coal mining business, and afterwards carried on a general store. In 1882 he returned to Callery Junction, Butler county, where he carried on merchandising, during which time he was appointed postmaster at that point by President Arthur. In 1887 he was appointed a railway postal clerk by President Cleveland, and afterwards embarked in the oil business, in which he has continued up to the present. He is now senior member of the firm of Beers & McKee, who are operating in the Evans City field. Mr. Beers was married January 26, 1876, to Emma, daughter of John Lloyd, of Adams township, and has six children, as follows: John A.; Mabel M.; Sarah B.; Walter L.; Clare, and one that died in infancy. Politically, Mr. Beers has always been a Democrat, was mercantile appraiser of Butler county in

1884, and was the Democratic nominee for register and recorder in 1893. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Daniel Fiedler, a native of Brandenburg, Saxony, Germany, was born in 1764, and immigrated to Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, about 1798. About the year 1803 he was induced by Dr. Muller to come to Butler county. He settled on the site of Zelienople, just below where the stone Lutheran church now stands. He was a shoemaker, but after coming to Zelienople he worked for Dr. Muller at his furnace for a number of years. He then purchased a farm of 140 acres, where Jacob Gutenkunst now lives, in Jackson township, which he cleared up and lived upon until 1839, when he sold it and removed to Harmony, Butler county, November 21, 1840. He married Catherine Firestone, in 1802, at Darlington, Beaver county, to whom was born one son, Jacob. Mr. Fiedler was a man of fine education, and one of the most intelligent Germans of this locality. He was a member of the Lutheran church, one of the founders of that denomination at Zelienople, and did much towards the erection of the old stone building still standing at Zelienople. He was also one of the early elders of the church. Though a Democrat, in politics, he cast his last vote for Harrison, in 1840.

Jacob Fiedler, only son of Daniel and Catherine Fiedler, was born in 1803, on the banks of the Connoquenessing, in Jackson township. He was reared on a farm, and after arriving at his majority he purchased a tract of 232 acres, where George Lotz and Adam Mickly now live, in Jackson township. Here he resided until 1838, when he sold out and removed to Harmony, purchased a hotel, which stood on the site of G. D. Swain's store, and carried on the hotel business until his death, which occurred September 14, 1842. He was a Democrat until 1840, in which year he joined the Whig party, and supported Harrison for the presidency. He was a member of the Lutheran church at Zelienople, and an earnest supporter of that organization. Mr. Fiedler married Susannah, daughter of Jacob Goehring, of Beaver county, to which union were born seven children: Daniel; Jacob; Caroline, wife of Abraham Ziegler, Sr.; Louisa, deceased wife of Gottlieb Peffer; George W., a resident of Ohio; Melissa, wife of Eli Ziegler, of Harmony, and William H., a resident of Ohio. His widow married Abraham Ziegler, and died in 1887. She is buried in the cemetery near the Mennonite church, in Jackson township.

Daniel Fiedler, oldest in the family of Jacob Fiedler, was born upon the farm settled by his father, in Jackson township, Butler county, August 19, 1828. His primary education was obtained in the common schools, and he finished his studies at Columbus College, Columbus, Ohio. After his father's death he assisted his mother in conducting the hotel at Harmony, until her second marriage in 1845, when he engaged in various occupations until 1851. He then purchased a farm in Cranberry township, lived upon it six years, and in 1861 he bought his present homestead, which then contained sixty-eight acres. He has since added thereto 175 acres, erected a substantial brick house, and made other good improvements. Mr. Fiedler entered politics when a young man, being a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, when he joined that organization, and was one of its active and leading members for many years. After filling

nearly all of the township offices, he was elected associate judge in 1871, and filled that office until 1878. In 1884 he was a delegate to the State Convention in the interest of James G. Blaine, was a member of the county committee for years, but has finally retired from taking any active part in politics. In connection with his farm, he has been engaged in coal mining thereon for nearly forty years. Mr. Fiedler married Magdalene, daughter of Jonas Ziegler, and has five children living: Jacob; Jonas; Dr. D. W.; Benton, and Louisa, wife of George Walker. He and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and he is recognized as one of the representative citizens of Butler county.

Thomas Wilson, a native of Down county, Ireland, immigrated to the United States in 1793, with his wife and three sons, Andrew H., Thomas, and James. In 1827 the family came from Mifflin township, Allegheny county, where the settlement was first made, and the father and sons each took up a tract of 400 acres in what is now Jackson township, Butler county. Andrew H. located where John M. and George W. Wilson now reside; James, immediately south of his brother, and Thomas immediately west of James. The mother died in Allegheny county, and her husband died upon the farm settled by his son Thomas, and was buried in the cemetery at Plains church. Thomas Wilson, Jr. married Betsey White, and died upon his farm, leaving no children. James Wilson married Nancy Cooper, to whom were born eight daughters and five sons, all of whom are dead.

Andrew H. Wilson, eldest son of Thomas Wilson, Sr., was born June 24, 1766, in Down county, Ireland, and on May 1, 1790, he married Mary Henderson, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland. He was a shoemaker, and after settling in Jackson township worked at his trade for the pioneers, in connection with the cultivation of his farm. His wife died in May, 1837; he survived her until May 4, 1847. Both were buried in the cemetery at the Plains church. Their children were as follows: John, who died in Ireland; Elizabeth, deceased wife of William Martin; George, deceased, born November 27, 1796; Mary, who died unmarried, born February 22, 1799; Nancy, born February 24, 1802, deceased wife of James Garvin; Rebecca, born April 14, 1805, deceased wife of George Cooper; Ellen, born January 29, 1807, who resides upon the homestead, and John, deceased, born July 15, 1809. Mr. Wilson was a member of the Masonic order in Ireland, but after coming to this county he dropped his associations with that fraternity. He was one of the pioneer members of Plains Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. At his death he divided his farm of 400 acres equally between his sons George and John H. Politically, he was a Jacksonian Democrat, and took a deep interest in the success of his party.

John H. Wilson, youngest son of Andrew H. Wilson, was born in Mifflin township, Allegheny county, July 15, 1809, and came to Jackson township, Butler county, with his parents at the age of eighteen years. He was reared a farmer, and his whole life after coming to Butler county was spent upon a portion of the homestead farm in Jackson township. He married Margaret, daughter of Jonathan Hauk, June 20, 1848, and they were the parents of six children: Andrew H., who resides in Ohio; Jonathan; Mary E.; Sarah E., wife of Samuel Brenneman; John Milton, and Jennie T., wife of George W. Nixon, of

Jackson township. Mr. Wilson died November 29, 1883; his wife survived him until January 28, 1893, and both are buried in the cemetery at Plains church, Cranberry township.

John Milton Wilson, youngest son of John H. and Margaret (Hauk) Wilson, was born September 20, 1855, upon the homestead farm in Jackson township. He was reared a farmer, and received a public school education. He resides upon the 200 acres which belonged to his father, and has always followed farming. Mr. Wilson takes an active interest in political matters, and is a stanch supporter of the Democratic party. He was reared in the Presbyterian faith, was originally a member of the Plains church, but now belongs to the church at Evans City. He and his sister, Mary E., reside upon the old homestead. He is a member of Harmony Lodge, F. & A. M., and Evans City Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Jonathan Wilson, second son of John H. and Margaret Wilson, was born upon the homestead in Jackson township, February 5, 1851, and received a common school education. He resided at home until 1880, and then purchased his present farm of eighty acres, which he has since improved. He married Susan, daughter of the late Jacob Stamm, and has one daughter, Margaret B. In politics, Mr. Wilson is a Democrat, is a member of Evans City Presbyterian church, and is one of the well known citizens of his native township.

George Wilson, son of Andrew H. Wilson, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1796. His parents removed to Butler county in 1827, and settled in what is now Jackson township, where the subject of this sketch was reared. He inherited one-half of the homestead farm, and erected the brick residence where the heirs of Thomas I. Wilson now live. He was one of the leading citizens of Butler county, was a Democrat in politics, and filled most of the township offices. He married Rebecca, daughter of James Wilson, of Allegheny county, but no relation to his family. Their children were as follows: James G., who died in 1868; Andrew H., of Harmony; Mary J.; Esther M., wife of R. H. Brown; Elizabeth E., and Thomas I., both of whom are dead; George W.; John M., deceased, and one who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were members of the United Presbyterian church at Evans City, and died in 1863, and 1860, respectively. They are buried in the Evans City cemetery.

George W. Wilson, fourth son of George Wilson, was born February 5, 1840, upon the homestead in Jackson township. He was reared to farm life, and after his father's death he inherited one-half of the farm and erected his present residence thereon. He has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits, and is one of the well known farmers of the township. Mr. Wilson was married November 26, 1864, to Harriet, daughter of Thomas Donaldson, and their children are as follows: Ada I., wife of U. G. Evans; Alvin L., who married Maud Hudson; Thomas A., and Anna L. Politically, he is a Democrat, and one of the leading members of his party. In 1893 he was elected a county commissioner of Butler county, which office he is now filling. He has occupied at different times most of the offices of his township, and has been a school director for eighteen years. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and for some years he has been an elder in that organization.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, SR., the progenitor of the Ramseys of Butler county, was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1776, and came to America prior to the year 1786. He remained in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, for some years, and in 1796 he settled on a tract of government land in what is now Cranberry township, Butler county, containing 400 acres, built a cabin in the midst of the forest, and began the work of clearing a farm. Returning to Westmoreland county, he married Grace Smith, and brought his young bride to his home in Butler county. She was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1776, a daughter of James Smith, who served in the Revolutionary war, and fell at the battle of Brandywine. They reared a family of seven children, as follows: Mary, deceased wife of Isaac Young; Hannah, who married Joseph Robinson; James; John; William; Alexander, of Cranberry township, and Anthony, all of whom are dead except Alexander. Mr. Ramsey and wife were members of White Oak Springs United Presbyterian church, and died in February, 1840, and 1845, respectively. Politically, he was a Democrat, and throughout the pioneer days was influential in the local councils of his party.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, only living child of Alexander and Grace (Smith) Ramsey, was born upon the homestead in Cranberry township, Butler county, August 1, 1817. He grew to maturity amidst the dangers and privations of pioneer days, and on July 3, 1845, he married Sarah Ann McGeorge, a native of Butler county, and a daughter of John and Elizabeth McGeorge. She was born December 8, 1820. Her father was a native of Scotland, came to the United States in youth, here married, and settled in Butler county in April, 1815. Mr. Ramsey first located in Cranberry township, and later removed to a tract of land in the southern part of Jackson township, which he had purchased in 1841. Here he has resided up to the present time. To Alexander and Sarah Ann Ramsey have been born five children: John Alexander; William S.; Elizabeth; Mary Ellen, and Samuel C., all of whom are dead except William S. and Samuel C., both of whom reside in Jackson township. Mr. Ramsey and wife have been members of the United Presbyterian church of Evans City since its organization, and he has been a stanch supporter of the Democratic party since he cast his first vote.

WILLIAM S. RAMSEY, son of Alexander and Sarah A. Ramsey, was born upon the homestead in Jackson township, October 15, 1847. He received a common school education, and remained with his parents until reaching his majority. On April 2, 1868, he married Miss Nancy Dunn, the ninth in a family of twelve children, born to Thomas L. and Mary Dunn, who came from eastern Pennsylvania and settled in what is now Jackson township early in the present century. Mr. Ramsey located on his present farm, then in woodland and unimproved, and their first home, a log cabin, is still standing close to their present commodious residence erected in 1884. His farm is now one of the best in the township, and he is one of the leading and influential farmers of the community. Six children have been the fruits of his marriage, as follows: Ida M., wife of George W. Schaney, of Beaver Falls; Della, wife of J. J. Helm, of Evans City; Susan A., wife of W. B. Evans, of the same borough; Emma J., and Charles S., both of whom are dead, and Byan L., who lives with his par-

ents. Mr. Ramsey's farm of 121 acres is located one and a half miles from Evans City, where he follows stock-raising and general farming. In January, 1865, he enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, attached to the Army of the Cumberland, and assigned on detached duty in Tennessee. He was honorably discharged in September, of the same year. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of Capt. William Stewart Post, G. A. R., of Evans City. He and wife are members of the Evans City United Presbyterian church, and the family are among the most respected in the township.

James Ramsey, son of Alexander and Grace (Smith) Ramsey, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, June 5, 1805, married Annie Covert, who was born March 4, 1812, and by her became the father of the following children: Mary Ann, who married W. H. Hohnoddle, who enlisted in the Union army and was killed in front of Fredericksburg; Nancy, and Elizabeth, who reside at Beaver Falls; Alexander C., and William H., both residents of Jackson township, and James, deceased. Mr. Ramsey was an elder in the United Presbyterian church for many years, and died June 19, 1869. His wife survived him until October 7, 1891. She, too, had been a life-long member of the United Presbyterian church.

Alexander C. Ramsey, eldest son of James and Annie (Covert) Ramsey, was born upon the homestead in Jackson township, Butler county, January 10, 1843. He was reared upon the farm, and received a common school education. In 1867 he married Sophia Powell, a native of Butler county, and a daughter of Samuel and Nancy (Cooper) Powell, and located upon a part of the homestead, where they have since resided. Eight children are the fruits of this union, as follows: James H.; Lulu M.; Lewis E.; Annie J.; Alice N.; Wade E.; Flora E, deceased, and Nellie G. Mr. Ramsey and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church at Evans City. He is a Democrat in politics, and is recognized as a public-spirited and progressive citizen.

Anthony Ramsey, son of Alexander and Grace (Smith) Ramsey, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1820. He married Elizabeth McGeôrge, also a native of this county, born November 17, 1822. They resided in Cranberry township throughout their married life. Mr. Ramsey died January 31, 1880, and his wife December 18, 1884. They were the parents of eight children, as follows: Elizabeth, deceased wife of Joseph Cashdollar; Mary Jane, deceased; Addison, of Cranberry township; John, a resident of Evans City; Euphemia A., of Allegheny; Ella, deceased; Edwin, who resides in Jackson township, and Baxter R., of Cranberry township. Mr. Ramsey was one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of the community, and a descendant of one of its oldest families.

Baxter R. Ramsey, son of Anthony and Elizabeth Ramsey, was born upon the farm where he now resides, in Cranberry township, August 30, 1865. He has always resided in this township, and is one of its leading young farmers. He was married May 25, 1893, to Maggie, daughter of Newton and Margaret Garvin, of Cranberry township. Both he and wife are members of Evans City United Presbyterian church. He is one of the leading Democrats of his community, and is also a member of Cranberry Grange, Number 908, P. of H.

Thomas Harper was born June 30, 1799, on New creek, six miles north of where the present town of Steubenville, Ohio, now stands. He came of Irish ancestry. His father was a scout in General Wayne's army during the campaign against the Western Confederacy of Indian tribes. About 1793 the latter married a lady who lived in Virginia, and settled on the site of Wheeling, whence he removed to a farm on New creek, in what is now Jefferson county, Ohio. Three sons and four daughters were born to him of this union. After reaching their majority, two of the sons, James and Andrew, moved farther west, while Thomas remained in the vicinity of Steubenville, and followed boating on the Ohio, Kanawha, and other rivers. In 1819 Thomas visited Washington county, Pennsylvania, where he met Margaret Swartz, whom he married in January, 1820. She was born in eastern Pennsylvania, and was of Pennsylvania Dutch parentage. Her father was a man of considerable means, kept a hotel, and also operated a saw and grist mill on his farm. At the age of six years she was left an orphan by the death of her parents, and was practically reared among strangers. In the spring of 1821, Thomas Harper and wife, and two children, came to Butler county. They settled in what is now Jackson township, and lived there until the fall of 1842, when they removed into Cranberry township, where Mrs. Harper died in September, 1873, aged nearly seventy-five years. Her husband survived her until June 30, 1876, dying on the seventy-seventh anniversary of his birthday. Both were endowed by nature to endure the trials and hardships of pioneer life, and they were upright and industrious to a remarkable degree. They were the parents of fifteen children, thirteen of whom grew to maturity, and eleven of the number are now living, six sons and five daughters, the oldest seventy-four and the youngest fifty-four years of age. The parents were Methodists and reared their children in that faith. Originally a Jackson Democrat, Mr. Harper was carried away with the Know-Nothing craze, and subsequently drifted into the Republican party.

Andrew Harper, son of Thomas and Margaret Harper, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, April 19, 1832, and has spent his entire life in his native township amid the peaceful scenes of agricultural pursuits. On March 24, 1859, he married Barbara Tinstman, and is the father of eleven children: Josephine; Asa A.; Clarissa; Cyrus B.; Sarah E.; Anzie E.; Oliver T.; Albert E.; Annie May; Charles E., and William W., all of whom are living in Jackson township. Mr. Harper has always been an adherent of the Democratic party, but supported Lincoln in 1860, and 1864, since which time he has voted the Democratic ticket. In 1883 he was elected a county auditor, and has filled the office of justice of the peace ten years. During the past thirty years he has occupied at various times most of the public offices in his township. Mr. Harper is a member of no church or society, nevertheless he is one of the most respected citizens of the community, and his long and busy life has been marked by the commendable virtues of honesty, industry and sobriety.

Cyrus B. Harper, miller, was born on the homestead farm in Jackson township, Butler county, September 18, 1866, son of Andrew and Barbara Harper. He received a common school education and lived with his parents until 1886, when he became connected with the Zelienople flouring mills. In

1889 he formed a partnership with C. W. Keefer, purchased the mill, and operated it until March, 1892, when Mr. Harper bought out his partner, and has since been sole proprietor. In 1890 he married Carrie, daughter of Tobias Meeder, of Cranberry township, and has two sons, Harvey E., and Curtus L. Politically, Mr. Harper is a Democrat, and he is connected with the English Lutheran church of Zelienople.

John Behm, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, immigrated to the United States about 1835, and located at Unionville, Beaver county, Pennsylvania. He was a blacksmith, and followed his trade after coming to this county, but later purchased a small farm close to Evans City, Butler county. He subsequently bought the farm where his son Casper now lives, in Jackson township, consisting of ninety acres, upon which he resided down to his death. He married in Germany, Margaret Long, to which union were born the following children: Margaret, who became the wife of Peter Burns; Catherine, who married Henry Wolfe; George L.; Casper; Henry; Lizzie, who marrried Philip Hensel; Mrs. Mary Snauffer, and John, of Jackson township. Politically, he was a Democrat, and a member of the German Reformed church of Evans City.

George L. Behm, eldest son of John and Margaret Behm, was born at Unionville, Beaver county, January 15, 1839. He grew to manhood on the homestead farm in Butler county, and at the age of nineteen purchased a farm at Whitestown, containing 180 acres, where he lived for five years. He then bought the Jacob Ziegler farm of 220 acres, in Jackson township, upon which he has since lived. He now owns eighty-four acres of his original farm, and thirty-six acres in Lancaster township. In 1859 he married Catherine, daughter of Jacob Ziegler, and is the father of six children, five of whom are living: Henry, of Harmony; Jacob, a resident of Allegheny county; Lizzie, wife of William Stamm; Charles, and Bertha. In politics, Mr. Behm is a Republican, and is an elder in Grace Reformed church of Harmony.

Adam Endres was born in Germany, and is a son of Adam Endres, who was a native of Alsace, Germany, and immigrated to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1837, settling on Brush creek, close to Unionville. About 1860 he removed with his son Adam to Jackson township, Butler county, where he died. He was buried in the cemetery at Burry church, in Beaver county. He married in his native land, and had two children: Adam, and Caroline, who married Lewis Teets. The subject of this sketch resided in Beaver county until 1860, when he purchased the farm upon which his son Jacob now lives. He cleared and improved it, and followed farming until 1875, when he built a residence close to Zelienople, and retired from active business. Mr. Endres was one of the original stockholders in the Pittsburg and Mercer Plank Road Company. He has been more or less connected with oil producing, and has accumulated a comfortable estate. Before removing to Butler county, Mr. Endres was a member of the Burry Reformed church, but after his settlement in Jackson township, he joined St. Peter's Reformed church, in which he has filled the office of elder. Mr. Endres married Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Woster, of Beaver county, and their children are as follows: Daniel; Caroline, wife of George B. Bastien; Jacob; Catherine, deceased; Sadie, wife of Herman J.

Speyerer; Lena, deceased; Charlotte; Sophia, deceased; Hannah, wife of W. H. Lusk, attorney at law, of Butler; George, and Clara, both of whom are dead. The eldest son, Daniel, removed to New Brighton in 1876, where he is now engaged in the butchering business. Mr. Endres has filled several of the minor offices in Jackson township, and is one of the old and respected citizens of the community.

Jacob Endres, youngest son of Adam and Elizabeth Endres, was born in Beaver county, June 1, 1850, and received a common school education. He grew to manhood on the homestead farm in Jackson township, and in 1875 assumed control of the farm, his father retiring. In 1874 he married Mary E., daughter of George Teets, of Beaver county, and their children are as follows: George A.; Altha E.; Eva B.; Clara; Bertha M., and Howard J. Politically, Mr. Endres is a Republican, and has filled the office of school director. He is also a director in the German Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Zelienople, and is a member of the Farmers' Alliance. Both he and family are connected with the Evangelical Lutheran church of Zelienople.

George Welsh, farmer and oil producer, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, December 4, 1862, son of James and Susan (Bolton) Welsh, of Zelienople. He received his education in the district schools, learned the carpenter's trade, and worked for the Pittsburg and Fort Wayne Railroad Company, as a bridge carpenter, for three years. In 1886 he located upon his present farm in Jackson township, and for the past four years he has also been engaged in oil producing. There are seven wells upon his farm, two of which he owns. In 1885 he was married to Mary Jane, a daughter of John Magee, whose father was one of the pioneers of Butler county. Mr. Welsh is a member of the Presbyterian church of Whitestown, and in politics, he is a Republican.

John Voegtly was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, November 6, 1834, son of Jacob Voegtly, a native of Switzerland, who came to the United States, with his father at the age of twenty-one years. He married Elizabeth Boyer, who resided near Pine Creek, and in 1852 he purchased a farm in Ross township, Allegheny county, where he and wife spent the balance of their lives. They had a family of fourteen children, of whom they reared six: Elizabeth, wife of Henry Sclag, of Allegheny; Maria, wife of Adam Endres, of Zelienople; John; Andrew, a resident of Allegheny county; Esther, wife of William Miltner, of the same county, and Matthias, who also resides in Allegheny county. The subject of this sketch was reared in Allegheny City, and attended the public schools of that place. In 1867 he married Elizabeth, daughter of William Miltner, of Allegheny county, and settled upon a farm in Ross township. In 1886 he purchased his present farm in Jackson township, Butler county, upon which he settled the same year. He is the father of five children, as follows: William J.; John M.; Maria H.; Henry and Charles Frederick. Mr. Voegtly is a Republican, in politics, and is a leading member of the German Lutheran church, of Zelienople.

H. W. Fanker was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1851, son of Henry W. and Louisa (Boreman) Fanker, natives of Hanover, Germany, who immigrated to Pittsburg in 1849. H. W. was reared at Wilkinsburg, and

received his education in that borough and at the German parochial school of the East End, Pittsburg. After he grew to manhood he engaged in the butchering business with his father at Wilkinsburg, and later entered the employ of H. N. Lytle, of Braddock, where he remained until 1878. He then embarked in the same business for himself, and carried it on at Braddock until 1890, when he purchased his present farm of 196 acres, in Jackson township, Butler county. Upon this he erected one of the finest residences in the county, a three story brick structure, fifty by sixty, standing on an elevation about 300 feet above the roadway, and facing a wide, handsome lawn, with spacious driveways and walks. The residence contains sixteen rooms, is heated with steam and fitted up with every modern convenience. In 1889 Mr. Fanker organized a company for the production of oil upon his farm. They developed ten wells, some of them averaging as high as 150 barrels a day. He sold his production in 1893, and his interest now embraces only the royalty. He has improved his farm in many ways, and has nearly 100 acres under cultivation. In 1876 Mr. Fanker married Annie, daughter of Adam Shaffer, of Jackson township, and has a family of five living children: Harry; Clara; Frank; Charley, and Paul. He started in life with less than $200 capital, and his business success is the result of his own industry. Besides his beautiful farm and oil properties, he is the owner of much valuable real estate at Braddock. Both he and wife are adherents of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

W. A. Nicklas is a son of Charles and Catherine (Burr) Nicklas, and was born in Forward township, Butler county, January 28, 1868. His mother is a daughter of Peter Burr. He received a common school education, followed farming for several years, and afterwards engaged at the butcher's trade. In 1893 he formed a partnership with G. F. Nicklas, and embarked in the livery business, at Evans City. He married Allie Fahel, and resided in that borough conducting the livery until his removal to his present farm. He has since devoted his attention to agriculture.

Joseph Douthett, Sr., was a native of Armagh county, Ireland, and immigrated to the United States at an early date, taking up his residence in Washington county, Pennsylvania. About 1799 he came to Butler county, and located upon the farm in Forward township where David Douthett's heirs now reside. He married in Ireland, and was the father of the following children: Joseph; Alexander; Charles; Jacob; Benjamin; Martha, who married Robert Magee, and Rosanna, who married Robert Fowler. Mr. Douthett and his wife, Rosanna, died upon the farm which they settled, and are buried in the cemetery on the same place. In the same burial ground lie the remains of his sons, Joseph, Jacob, and Benjamin.

Benjamin Douthett was the fifth son of Joseph and Rosanna Douthett, and was born in Armagh county, Ireland, in 1772. He came with his parents to Pennsylvania, and throughout his life followed agricultural pursuits. He married Jane Smith, and by this marriage they were the parents of the following children: Joseph; John; William; David; Benjamin; Alexander; Samuel; Mary, who married James Magee, and Martha J., who married William Dodds, all of whom are dead except Alexander and Martha J. The mother died in 1847,

and the father in 1850. and both are buried in the Douthett family cemetery upon the old homestead. Mr. Douthett owned 500 acres of land, which he divided among his children, but the old homestead is that now owned by Samuel Douthett's heirs.

Joseph Douthett, eldest son of Benjamin and Jane (Smith) Douthett, was born October 6, 1807, upon his grandfather's farm, in what is now Forward township. His education was obtained in the old log school house near where he was reared, but after reaching manhood he was a constant reader and a student, and thus became self educated, and taught for many years. He settled in Penn township, and became one of its extensive farmers. He learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades, in youth, and followed them in connection with agriculture. Politically, he was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and was recognized as an influential member of his party in this county. He was a justice of the peace for Penn township, was elected county commissioner in 1847, and was a school director for many years, always taking a deep interest in the prosperity of the public schools. He married Rebecca, daughter of James Magee, a resident of Jackson township, and they were the parents of seven sons and one daughter who grew to maturity, as follows: Benjamin, of Kansas; James M., of Jackson township; John who resides in Pittsburg; Robert, a resident of Illinois; David B., of Forward township; Joseph, of Penn township, and Jane, widow of Robert Miller. In early life Mr. Douthett was a member of the Covenanter church, but later joined the United Presbyterian church. He died July 23, 1884; his widow survived until August 17, 1885. dying at the ripe old age of eighty-two years.

David Douthett, fourth son of Benjamin and Jane Douthett, was born July 4, 1814, on the farm now owned by Samuel Douthett's heirs, in Forward township. Here he grew to manhood, but subsequently settled upon the farm where his grandfather located in 1799, and in the old log cabin erected by his grandfather were born and reared his family. This building is standing to-day, and occupied by Walter S. Douthett, one of David's sons. Mr. Douthett followed farming until arriving at old age, then retired to Brownsdale, where he died May 23, 1885. He married Jane E., daughter of Joseph Brown, one of the pioneers of Forward township. She survives him and resides at the village of Brownsdale, in Penn township. This union was blessed with the following children: Agnes J., wife of J. B. Dodds; Benjamin W.; Joseph P., deceased; James M.; Walter W., deceased; David K., a physician residing in Iowa; Delorma M., a resident of Nebraska; Mary E., wife of J. F. Brittain; William G., of Butler; Adam M., a merchant of Brownsdale; Walter S., of Forward township, and Braden G., deceased. Mr. Douthett was the first postmaster of Brownsdale, and was one of the early school directors of his locality. In politics, he was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, when he became a member of that organization, and was quite an influential man in local political matters. He was one of the founders and original members of the United Presbyterian church of Brownsdale, and throughout his long and useful life contributed liberally toward the support of that congregation. He was a man of strict integrity, upright and straightforward in all his dealings with his fellow men, and won the respect and confidence of the best people of Butler county.

James M. Douthett, Jr., was born in Forward township, Butler county, January 15, 1850, son of David and Jane E. (Brown) Douthett, and grandson of Benjamin Douthett. He was reared upon his father's farm, and received his education in the public schools. He was married December 31, 1873, to Elizabeth Crowe, a daughter of David B. and Sarah J. (Dodds) Crowe, both members of pioneer families of Butler county, and of Irish descent. Her parents are residents of Forward township. Mr. Douthett located upon his present farm in 1891, which contains 102 acres, and is well improved. He is quite an active worker in the Republican party, and is an earnest member of, and a liberal contributor toward the United Presbyterian church.

James M. Douthett was born in what is now Forward township, February 1, 1831, and is the second son of Joseph and Rebecca (Magee) Douthett. He was reared principally in Jackson township, and educated in the district schools. He married Lucinda Magee, daughter of Robert and Martha Magee, of Jackson township, settled upon his present farm, in the same township, and has since resided upon it. Three children were born to this union: Allison J., of Evans City; Martha, wife of Frank Kelly, of Jackson township, and Rebecca. Mr. Douthett is a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church at Mars, and is an elder in that society. He is one of the representative farmers of the community.

Allison J. Douthett, son of James M. and Lucinda (Magee) Douthett, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, July 27, 1856, received a good common school education, and grew to manhood on the homestead farm. In 1878 he engaged in drilling water wells, and 1882 he became a tool dresser for Charles Neely, and subsequently followed the same business with Johnson Brothers, J. P. Fishel, and others. In 1888 he commenced drilling and producing in the oil fields of western Pennsylvania, and has operated in Armstrong county, and in the Petersville and Callery fields, Butler county; Duff City and Wildwood, in Allegheny county, and also the Harmony field, in Butler county. He was a member of the Evans City Oil Company, and is now connected with the Boggs Oil Company, operating in the Brownsdale and Evans City fields. Mr. Douthett was married October 25, 1877, to Letitia, a daughter of David B. Crowe, of Forward township, and they are the parents of four children, as follows: Scott H.; James C.; David D., and Orrin R. In politics, he is a Republican, but devotes little attention to political matters. In February, 1894, he was elected a member of the borough council, and also of the school board of Evans City, which offices he is now filling.

Hon. David B. Douthett, fifth son of Joseph and Rebecca (Magee) Douthett, was born in Forward township, Butler county, October 12, 1840, and was educated in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute. He was engaged in teaching in the public schools of the county from 1857 to 1861, when he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the Army of the Potomac until the close of the war, under McClellan, Burnside, Hooker, Meade, and Grant. The principal battles in which he participated are named as follows: Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, White Oak Swamp, Charles City Cross Roads, Malvern Hill, Second Bull Run, Chantilly,

Antietam, South Mountain, Williamsport, Second Fredericksburg, Salem Heights, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Mine Run and the Wilderness. He was wounded at Williamsburg, a minie-ball passed through his hat at Fredericksburg, and at the Wilderness, May 5, 1864, he was severely wounded, being shot through the left thigh with a minie-ball. He was sent to Findlay Hospital, Washington, D. C., afterwards to McClellan Hospital, Philadelphia, and then to Pittsburg, whence he returned to his regiment before Petersburg. He took part in the final campaign under Grant, and was mustered out of the service near Washington, D. C., June 28, 1865. Returning to his home Mr. Douthett was elected justice of the peace of Forward township, and filled that position ten years. He also served as school director for twelve years, and was president of the Butler County School Directors for a long period. He was postmaster at Brownsdale for three terms, was mercantile appraiser in 1890, and in 1891 was appointed by Governor Pattison a delegate from Pennsylvania to the Farmers National Congress, at Sedalia, Missouri. In 1892 Mr. Douthett was elected, on the Republican ticket, to which party he has always belonged, a member of the legislature, receiving 225 more votes than any other candidate on the ticket, and running 100 votes ahead of the national ticket. While serving in in the House he secured the passage of a bill to regulate and establish uniform fees to be charged by the justices of the peace, aldermen, magistrates, and constables in Pennsylvania. In November, 1894, he was re-elected for a second term. He is a member of Capt. William Stewart Post, G. A. R., of Evans City, and of Encampment, Number 45, U. V. L. For many years he has been one of the leading members of the United Presbyterian church, and has been foremost in his community in every good work. He was married in 1864, to Sarah B., a daughter of Joseph Brown, of Forward township, and has two children: Ida, wife of Dr. H. S. McClymonds, of Renfrew and Marshall B. Mr. Douthett has been an active participant in local politics for many years, and his rewards by popular vote attest to the estimation in which he is held.

Marshall B. Douthett, son of David B. and Sarah B. (Brown) Douthett, was born upon the homestead farm in Forward township, Butler county, December 29, 1870. He obtained a common school education and afterwards attended Slippery Rock State Normal School, and Actual Business College, graduating from the last mentioned institution in 1886. He taught school four years, and in January, 1891, he was appointed deputy sheriff, and reappointed in January, 1894. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican. Mr. Douthett is a charter member of Lincoln League, of Butler county, and has always been an earnest worker in his party.

Joseph Ash was one of the early settlers of Forward township, Butler county, coming hither from Kentucky. He is supposed to have been a native of Wales, or of Welsh parentage. About 1804 he settled upon a tract of 212 acres, where his grandson, James A. Ash, now resides. He cleared a farm here and lived upon it until his death. Mr. Ash was one of the pioneer mail carriers between Pittsburg and Erie, and it is said that a pocket handkerchief did duty as a mail bag. He died in 1813, and was buried upon the homestead farm. In

1893 the remains of himself and wife were removed to the Evans City cemetery. In his religious belief, he was a Baptist. His children were as follows: Rachel, who married Robert McKinney; Sylvester; Elizabeth, who married Joseph Dodds, and Isaac, who died at Evans City.

Sylvester Ash, eldest son of Joseph Ash, was born in 1808, upon the homestead farm, in what is now Forward township, Butler county. He grew up amid the scenes of pioneer days, and obtained such education as the schools of that period afforded. He learned the carpenter's trade and followed that business in connection with farming. He built the first farm house upon the homestead, on the site of the one now standing, added fifty-two acres to his father's original purchase, and owned other properties in Evans City. In early life he was a Whig, but afterward joined the Republican party, and took quite a leading part in political affairs in this vicinity, but would never accept any public office. He was reared in the Baptist faith, and though a regular attendant and a liberal supporter of that denomination, he was not a member of the church. Mr. Ash married Martha, daughter of Robert Boggs, the first settler on the site of Evans City. Seven children were born of this union, five of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Joseph, of Evans City; Isaac, a well known lawyer of Oil City; Robert, of Allegheny; Lizzie, wife of Lewis Gansz, and James A. Mr. Ash died in 1882; his widow survived until 1886.

Archibald Irwin was a native of Pennsylvania, and came to Butler county about the year 1810. He had lived in Crawford and Allegheny counties prior to coming here, and followed the trade of blacksmith. He located upon the farm in Forward township where his grandson, John A. Irwin, now resides. He was a man of good education, and one of the pioneer school teachers of the township. In 1845 he removed to Pittsburg, and died at the home of his son Thomas in that city. In a letter written by George W. Irwin, in 1853, to his son, John A., we find the following record of the Irwin genealogy: "In your last you wished to know something of your ancestry. My great-grandfather Irwin was an Episcopalian preacher in Ireland. My grandfather was his eldest son, and came to this country when young, married in Pennsylvania, and had two sons and one daughter, my father being the eldest. My grandfather served in the Colonial forces under General Grant, and was present at the battle between the English and French, known as Braddock's defeat. For his services in the army he was granted a tract of land in the vicinity of Fort Pitt, now Pittsburg, but allowed the grant to go by default, as land was then of little value. He afterwards served under Washington in the Revolution. My father being young then had his share of the difficulties of the Revolutinary period. He learned the blacksmithing trade with a Mr. Porter, at Redstone, Pennsylvania. He assisted in electing General Washington as first president of our country. His last vote was cast for James K. Polk for president. He claimed to be a Democrat all his life, and was eighty-three years of age when he died. My maternal grandparents, Thomas Fletcher and wife, came from Scotland to Pennsylvania, and became wealthy farmers. They were of the Seceder persuasion, and were well thought of. Your maternal grandfather, W. M. Hanna, came from Ireland, settled in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and was a wealthy farmer. Your

grandmother Hanna, was the daughter of W. M. Thompson, a native of Scotland, who settled in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, was a justice of the peace, and a prosperous farmer. They were all Presbyterians in religious faith."

George W. Irwin, son of Archibald Irwin, was born near Meadville, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1800, removed to Pittsburg with his parents in 1806, and thence to Butler county. In 1812 he went to Pittsburg for the purpose of learning the blacksmith's trade, and at the age of nineteen years was employed in one of the iron works of that city as superintendent of the blacksmithing department. He was later engaged as an engineer on the Ohio river. He afterwards embarked in the manufacture of boilers at Pittsburg, and also carried on a paper mill in Ohio. In 1847 he engaged in the manufacture of boilers at Nashville, Tennessee, where he remained until the war commenced. When the Federal troops captured Nashville they took charge of his plant and thus destroyed his business. Being a stanch Union man, he fought in the battle of Nashville as a Union soldier. In 1868 he returned to Pittsburg, and thence to Butler county, where he was engaged in farming until his death, May 18, 1878. Mr. Irwin was prominent in the iron industry of Pittsburg for many years and was well known among the manufacturers of that city. Politically, he was a Republican. He married Ozilla Hanna, a daughter of W. M. Hanna, of Lancaster county. She died at Nashville in 1868. Their family consisted of ten children, eight of whom grew to maturity.

John A. Irwin, fourth son of George W. Irwin, was born at Cadiz, Ohio, April 21, 1832, and was reared in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. He obtained a common school education, learned the book-binder's trade, and embarked in business at Louisville, Kentucky, in 1852. He later went into the book-binding business at Memphis, Tennessee, where he remained until the breaking out of the Rebellion. Being a Union man, he came north to escape service in the Southern army, and became employed with Wells, Riddle & Company, of Pittsburg, which position he filled from 1861 to 1867. In 1868 he established a book-binding house in Pittsburg, which he has since carried on successfully. His homestead in Forward township is one of the richest oil properties in this part of the county, and is one of the best improved farms in the township. Mr. Irwin married Margaret P. Colvin, to which union have been born the following children: Ozilla; Sarah; William; George; Robert, and Margaret. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religious faith, an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church. For over forty years Mr. Irwin has been a member of the I. O. O. F., and is State manager of the Odd Fellows Endowment Association. He has also been connected with the A. O. U. W. for more than twenty-one years, and is a member of the Heptosophs.

The Waldron Family of Butler county are descendants of Baron Resolved Van Waldron, a native of Harlam, Holland, who immigrated with Peter Stuyvesant, one of the early governors of New York, in 1647. Baron VanWaldron was born in 1608. He obtained a patent from the Dutch government for the land that now embraces what was originally Harlem, New York. He served as magistrate for seventeen years, and laid out that part of the City of New York, known as Harlem, extending from Seventy-fourth street, on East river, to One Hundred

and Thirtieth street, North river, consisting of 10,000 acres. In 1660 he built Waldron Hall, one of the early buildings of Harlem, which was occupied by his descendants down to 1800. He was a lineal descendant of Baron Rudolph Van Waldron, who was granted a coat of arms in 1128, by the government of Holland, for valor on the plains of Palestine, and in the capture of Jerusalem, in 1099. Baron Resolved Van Waldron married Lady Taneka Van Nagle, April 10, 1653, and was the father of four sons and four daughters. The fourth son, Samuel, was born in New Harlem, October 10, 1670, and married Lady Margaret Bloodgood, of Flushing, Long Island, in March, 1692, to which union were born nine children. The second son of Samuel Van Waldron, Francis B., born November 10, 1697, married Catherine Brunneal, of New Harlem, December, 21, 1721. In 1730 Francis B. removed to Clover Hill, Hunterdon county, New Jersey. He was the father of ten children, the fourth son being Samuel B., born at New Harlem, March 3, 1729. Samuel B. married Catherine Van Ness, of Hunterdon county, New Jersey, in 1751, to which union were born eight children. The eldest, Samuel V., born August 19, 1752, served five years under Washington and Marion, and was at the battle of Brandywine, and other historic engagements of the Revolution. He married Magdalena Simpson, of Morris county, New Jersey, April 26, 1774, and lived near Trenton until 1795, when he removed to Washington county, Pennsylvania. In 1796 Samuel V. Waldron, removed to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, and settled upon the farm in Wolf Creek township, now owned by Simeon D. Waldron. He died upon that farm in January, 1849. He was a millwright, and erected one of the pioneer mills in that locality.

John Waldron, second son of Samuel V. and Magdalena (Simpson) Waldron, was born near Trenton, New Jersey, April 17, 1785, and grew to manhood on his father's farm in Mercer county, Pennsylvania. He was twice married, his first wife being Maria, daughter of Alexander Lindsey, of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, to whom were born the following children: Margaret; Isabella; Jemima; Alexander; Samuel; John L.; Susan, and William S. His second wife was Jane Davidson, of Venango county. Mr. Waldron served in the War of 1812, in Perry's Lake Erie squadron. In 1816 he came to Butler county, and purchased a farm where his son, William S., now lives. He was engaged in farming nearly all his life, but was also one of the pioneer teachers, and a good mechanic. He died April 5, 1863. For forty years he was an elder in the Presbyterian church.

William S. Waldron, youngest son of John S. and Maria (Lindsey) Waldron, was born upon his present homestead in Forward township, June 23, 1823. He received a good English education, and taught for several years in the public schools. In 1848 he was principal of one of the public schools in Peoria, Illinois. In 1852 he purchased the old homstead, and two years afterward remodeled and improved the buildings. Mr. Waldron was married September 3, 1846, to Eliza M., daughter of John and Susan (Kline) Bellis, of Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, who settled in Butler county in 1842. Their children are as follows: O. K., a dentist of Butler; Susan O., wife of Nelson B. Duncan; Theodore C.; William S., deceased; Laura H., wife of R. M. Kinnear; J. C.;

Eva M., wife of J. B. Evans; Reuben O.; Maria B., wife of F. B. Dodds; Fred V.; Elizabeth A. J.; Ulysses S. G.; Ada M., wife of B. S. Buhl, and Leota E., wife of O. S. Sutton. In politics, Mr. Waldron was first a Whig, and since the formation of the Republican party he has been prominent in the local councils of that organization. For fifteen years he was one of the school directors of Forward township, and served three years on the school board of Evans City. In 1856 he was elected a county auditor, and in 1872 was elected to the legislature, both of which positions he filled with credit. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is connected with Harmony Lodge, F. & A. M., is past master of that lodge, and its only living charter member in the county. He is also a charter member of Evans City Lodge, I. O. O. F., and connected with the encampment of that fraternity. Mr. Waldron is a man of broad views and liberal opinions, who keeps well up with the progressive spirit of the age. Through the passing years he has accumulated a goodly share of this world's riches, and can be safely classed as one of the substantial, enterprising and public-spirited citizens of his native county.

Adam Brown, Sr., a native of Germany, was a son of Adam Brown, who immigrated to America prior to the Revolution, and served as a packhorse driver in the Continental army. His father located at Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, after the war, where he resided until his death. Adam, came to Butler county in the last decade of the Eighteenth century, and located in what is now Middlesex township. He subsequently settled upon a 400-acre tract of land near the site of Brownsdale, which he cleared and improved. He married Agnes Holmes, a native of Ireland, and a resident of Cumberland county. Both died early in the present century. Their children were as follows: John, who died upon a portion of the original farm; Adam; Joseph, who also died upon a part of the old homestead; Thomas R., who died in Pittsburg; Elizabeth, who married James McCandless, and died in Butler county; Martha, who became the wife of Johnson White, and also died in this county, and Margaret, who married William White, and died in Ohio. Adam Brown, Sr., was one of the early constables of the county, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Whig party. He was a Presbyterian, in religion, a man of fair education, in both English and German, and wielded considerable influence among the pioneers. He was interred in the old Presbyterian cemetery in Middlesex township.

Adam Brown, Jr., was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm in Butler county. He was the second son of Adam Brown, Sr., and at the death of his father he was appointed executor of the latter's estate. He received the homestead as his share of the estate, and lived upon it until 1833, when he purchased the mill and farm where his son Robert H. now resides. The mill was an old frame structure, but he tore it down, and rebuilt a new frame mill, and added a saw mill, which he conducted until 1861. In that year he retired from active business and settled upon a farm he then owned, but now the property of Walter C. Boggs, in Forward township. He married Sarah, daughter of 'Squire Robert Brown, to whom were born thirteen children, ten of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Nancy, who married James Hammel; Robert H.; Adam; Ruth, who married C. E.

Anderson; Sarah, deceased wife of Asa Leason; Margaret, deceased wife of Wesley Henderson; John, and William C., both deceased; Joseph, who married a daughter of Thomas Gray, and is now residing in Penn township, and Nathan, who married a daughter of Mr. Emery, and who now resides in Harrisville, Butler county. Thomas R., Betsey and Nelson, died in infancy. His second wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, who survives him. Politically, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

Robert H. Brown, eldest son of Adam and Sarah Brown, was born September 12, 1824, in Middlesex township, Butler county. He was reared on the homestead farm, and received his education in the district schools. He learned the milling business with his father, and purchased the mill and farm from the latter, which he conducted until 1880. In that year he bought a farm in Cranberry township, resided npon it until 1891, and then returned to his original homestead, where he engaged in farming and operating his flour and saw mill. In 1863 the old mill was destroyed by fire, but was rebuilt by himself; his farm contains some five producing oil wells, and is thus quite profitable. In 1850 he married Margaret E., daughter of George Wilson. His second wife was Cynthia F., daughter of Jesse Miller, of Forward township, to which union have been born six children, four of whom are living, as follows: Sarah E.; Mary L.; Robert L., and Nora B. Politically, Mr. Brown is a Republican, and in religious faith, he is an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church.

John Crowe, son of Francis Crowe, came with his parents from Ireland some time in the last century, and settled upon the Susquehanna river in eastern Pennsylvania. He was one of three brothers, two of whom settled in Indiana and Kentucky. He had four sisters, as follows: Ellen, who married a man named Anderson; Margaret; Mary, who married Alexander Douthett, and one whose name is not remembered. About 1812 John Crowe located on the site of Petersville, Butler county, removing later to Breakneck, in Forward township, and soon afterwards he settled upon a 200-acre tract of land where John and David Crowe now live. Here he spent the remaining years of his life. He was married three times. His first wife was Jane Pollock, and their children were as follows: Mary, who married David Douthett; Grizella, who married Nathaniel Walker; Samuel; William, and John, all of whom are dead except the last mentioned. His second wife was Nancy Boyles, who bore him one son, David B., who resides upon a part of the homestead farm. His third wife was Elizabeth Robb, but no children were born to this union. John Crowe resided in Forward township until his death, and was one of the leading members of the old Covenanter church in this locality. His father, Francis Crowe, also came to Butler county, where he resided with his son John until his death.

William P. Crowe, second son of John and Jane (Pollock) Crowe, was born in 1813, upon the old homestead in Forward township, and received his education in the pioneer log school house of the neighborhood. He learned the tanner's trade in Pittsburg, but later took up the bricklayer's trade, which he followed through life. He settled upon the farm where his son, George W., now resides, which he purchased some years before retiring from active business, and died there in 1871. He married Sarah J., daughter of John Hays, of

Middlesex township, which union was blessed with eleven children: William J., of Butler; George W.; Benjamin F., of Beaver county; Ellen; Milton; Nelson M., a minister of De Haven, Allegheny county; Mary, wife of John Tress; James M., deceased; Lizzie, wife of R. O. Knox; Calvin, and Albert. Mr. Crowe was one of the leading Republicans of Forward township, and took a deep interest in political affairs. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. His widow resides in Beaver county.

Henry Gelbach was born in Bavaria, Germany, and immigrated to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1830. He subsequently removed to what is now Forward township, Butler county, and purchased 100 acres of land, now known as the Markel farm. This he cleared and improved, and resided upon it down to within a few years of his death, which occurred at Zelienople, whither he had removed from his farm. He married in Germany, and was the father of one son, Philip, and three daughters, as follows: Margaret, who married Philip Blimm; Elizabeth, who married Martin Behm, and Louisa, who married Charles Katz.

Philip Gelbach, only son of Henry Gelbach, was born in Bavaria, Germany, March 15, 1817, and came with his parents to the United States in 1830. He grew to manhood upon the homestead in Forward township, and received a meager education in the pioneer log schools of that locality. He afterwards purchased a farm adjoining his father's farm, consisting of 160 acres, where his son, Philip D., now lives. He continued to farm until he arrived at old age, when he retired to Evans City, where he died October 3, 1884. The first frame barn built in the neighborhood he erected upon his farm. He was a very industrious man and was known as a good, honest citizen. Mr. Gelbach was married in 1846, to Sophia, daughter of Christian Dambach, to which union were born five sons and two daughters, as follows: Jacob, of Zelienople; Philip D., of Forward township; Louisa, deceased wife of William J. Blakeley; William H., of Zelienople; Julia, wife of Peter Schenck, of Butler; Christian, of Forward township, and John A., of Zelienople. Mrs. Gelbach resides in the last mentioned borough. Politically, Mr. Gelbach was a Democrat, and filled many of the township offices. He was a member of St. John's Evangelical church of Evans City, and gave liberally of his means towards the erection of the present church building. He was an elder and trustee of that church for many years, and in all the relations of life he was recognized as a worthy citizen.

Philip D. Gelbach, second son of Philip and Sophia Gelbach, was born upon the homestead in Forward township, in 1848, and was reared and educated in his native township. In 1874 he located upon the farm where his brother Christian now lives, where he remained until 1886, and then purchased the old Gelbach homestead, which he has improved a great deal since that time. It contains 247 acres, and is one of the best oil producing farms in this locality. In 1874 he was married to Catherine, daughter of Martin Behm, and is the father of seven children, as follows: Daniel L.; Emma M.; Henry F.; Elmer M.; Ida L.; Clara E., and Edna A. Mr. Gelbach is one of the progressive citizens of the county, an active member of the Democratic party, and takes a decided interest in public affairs. He has filled the offices of school director and county audi-

tor. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church of Evans City, and a trustee in that organization.

William H. Gelbach was born in Forward township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1854, and is the third son of Philip and Sophia Gelbach. He received his education in the district schools, and in Greentown Academy, Perrysville, Ohio. In 1873 he embarked in merchandising at Petersville, Butler county, where he carried on business for three years. He then taught school in Ohio for three years, and in 1880 he entered into a partnership with William H. Ifft, and engaged in the mercantile business at Zelienople. This firm continued in business for six years, when the partnership was dissolved, and the firm of Gelbach Brothers was established. He sold his interest in the store in 1893, and has since been engaged in Gelbach Brothers bank. Mr. Gelbach was married in 1880, to Elizabeth, a daughter of Dr. William Irvine, of Evans City, by which union five children have been born to them: Josephine Eugenia; Julia Edith; Flora Isabella; Lillian Irvine, and Norman Earl, who died August 10, 1893. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church, in which body Mr. Gelbach fills the office of elder. In politics, he is a Democrat, has served in the borough council, and has been a continuous member, since 1883, of the school board of Zelienople, and in 1891 he was a delegate to the State Convention.

John A. Gelbach, of the banking firm of Gelbach Brothers, was born in Forward township, Butler county, March 28, 1862, and is the youngest son of Philip and Sophia Gelbach. He was educated in the public schools of his native township, and completed his education at Zelienople Academy. In 1885 he engaged in the feed business at Beaver Falls, where he remained until 1887, and then became a member of the mercantile firm of Gelbach Brothers. In 1892 he sold his interest in the store and joined his brother Jacob, and Amos M. Lusk in the banking business in Zelienople, which is still continued by Gelbach Brothers. He was married in 1891, to Mary Lusk, daughter of the late Dr. Amos Lusk of Zelienople, and both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church of that borough. He is a Democrat, in politics, and has served two terms in the borough council. He is a member of Harmony Lodge, Number 429, F. &. A. M., also of Lancaster Lodge, I. O. O. F.

Nicholas Behm, Sr., a native of Coner-Hesse, Germany, immigrated to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, whence he came to what is now Forward township, Butler county, in 1830, and settled near Breakneck upon a rented farm. He had then a family of three sons and two daughters, as follows: John; Nicholas; George; Margaret, who married George Barkley, and Eva, who married John Metz. In 1834 he located at Zelienople, subsequently purchased a farm in Jackson township, and died at the home of his son Nicholas, in 1871, aged ninety-two years.

Nicholas Behm, second son of Nicholas Behm, Sr., was born August 22, 1817, in Germany. He came with his father to Butler county, and purchased a farm of 100 acres in Forward township, where his son Augustus H. now resides. Here he spent the balance of his days, dying August 11, 1883. He married Louisa Rehnick, and they were the parents of thirteen children, as follows: Maggie, wife of Henry Lentz; Mary, wife of Fred Swartz; Ann, wife of Ernest

Nebauch; Caroline, wife of George Heist; Amelia D., wife of Charles Meuhlbrunner; Louisa, wife of Isaac Blakeley; Hannah, wife of Daniel Behm; Christina, deceased; Lena, deceased; William, of Adams township; John, of Allegheny county; Augustus H., and George R. Mr. Behm filled the offices of overseer of the poor and school director for many years; in politics he was a Democrat, and was a member of St. John's Reformed church of Evans City.

Augustus H. Behm, third son of Nicholas Behm, Jr., was born upon his present farm February 23, 1854. He received a common school education, and has followed farming up to the present, owning a well improved farm of 189 acres Upon his place are two oil wells, which produced at one time 180 barrels, and 150 barrels, per hour, respectively. Mr. Behm has recently erected one of the finest private residences in the county, and is recognized as an enterprising, substantial business man. He was married in 1882, to Matilda, daughter of William Goehring, of Forward township, and they have a family of six children: Clyde H.; Leah F.; Cleveland Charley; Harry M.; Etta L., and Jay N. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has filled the office of township auditor. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church of Evans City, is an elder in that body, and is also connected with the I. O. O. F.

George R. Behm, youngest son of Nicholas Behm, was born February 15, 1865, upon his present homestead in Forward township, where he has resided throughout his life. In 1891 he married Maggie Mahood, daughter of James Mahood, of Renfrew, Penn township. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church, and politically, is a Democrat. Upon his farm he has eight producing wells, one ninety barrel well, and one of 100 barrels per hour.

William Hunter, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, immigrated to Pennsylvania about 1835, and settled upon the land in Forward township, Butler county, where his grandsons, W. W. and A. D. Hunter, now live. He was accompanied by his family, consisting of two sons and five daughters. Joseph, one of the sons, died soon after the settlement was made. The other children were named as follows: Alexander; Fannie, who married Carson Coulter; Ann, who married Samuel Dean; Jane, who became the wife of Andrew Dunn; Mary, who married Samuel Douthett, and Rosanna, who married Scott White. Mr. Hunter died April 18, 1861, aged seventy-seven years. His widow survived him until August 11, 1869, and both are buried in the cemetery near the Presbyterian church, in Middlesex township. All of the children are dead except Mrs. White, who is a resident of Allegheny. Mr. Hunter and wife were members of the Presbyterian church.

Alexander Hunter, eldest son of William Hunter, was born in Ireland in 1818, and grew to manhood in his native land. He came with his parents to the United States, and after the death of his father he succeeded to the homestead farm in Forward township. He made many improvements in the property, in clearing off the timber and erecting buildings. He married Elizabeth, daughter of David Dixon, of Penn township, and they were the parents of two sons: William W., and Alexander D. In politics, Mr. Hunter was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and filled the office of school director in Forward township. His wife died November 22, 1875; he survived her until October

19, 1888. In early life they belonged to the Presbyterian church, but later became members of the United Presbyterian church of Adams township.

William W. Hunter, eldest son of Alexander Hunter, was born July 27, 1861, upon the homestead farm in Forward township, and has never resided at any other point. He married Susie, daughter of Jacob Hutchman, and has two children: Maggie E., and Laura W. In politics, he is a Republican, and is a member of Union United Presbyterian church.

Alexander D. Hunter, youngest son of Alexander Hunter, was born upon the homestead in Forward township, October 1, 1866, received a common school education, and has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He married Mary, daughter of Jacob Hutchman, and has one son, Howard A. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of Union United Presbyterian church.

Daniel Stamm and his father settled in Franklin township, Beaver county, close to the Butler county line, where the latter died and was interred upon the homestead. Daniel grew up on the farm settled by his father, and remained with his parents until his marriage to Elizabeth Shearer, to which union were born the following children: Conrad; Jacob; John; Daniel; Mary, who married Henry Shanor; Susan, wife of Zeno Markel, of Evans City, and Eliza, who became the wife of a Eli Hartzell. The parents died upon the homestead farm, where the greater portion of their lives was passed.

Jacob Stamm, Sr., son of Daniel Stamm, was born in November, 1811, upon the old homestead, learned the tanner's trade, and followed that occupation for several years. In 1837 he purchased the farm in Forward township, consisting of 212 acres, to which he afterwards added seventy-eight acres, upon which his sons, Solomon and Jacob, now live. Mr. Stamm cleared and improved this farm. In early life he was a Democrat, but upon the formation of the Republican party he joined that organization. He was one of the pioneer member of St. John's Reformed church of Evans City. He married Susan, daughter of Christopher Ziegler, of Beaver county, who became the mother of eight children: Deborah, wife of George Wise; Abraham; Kesiah, wife of Casper Behm; Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Peffer; Solomon; Mary, wife of John Milton White; Susan, wife of Jonathan Wilson, and Jacob. Mr. Stamm died May 27, 1892; his widow resides upon the homestead farm. She is a member of the Mennonite church.

Solomon Stamm, second son of Jacob Stamm, was born upon the homestead in Forward township, Butler county, October 13, 1844, and was reared to manhood beneath the parental roof. In May, 1872, he married Euphemia, daughter of Nicol Allen, of Cranberry township, and has four children: Mary; Bruce B.; Guy H., and Inez. In politics, Mr. Stamm was a Republican down to recent years, but is now an adherent of the Prohibition party. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, of Evans City.

Jacob Stamm, youngest son of Jacob and Susan Stamm, was born January 12, 1851, upon the homestead farm in Forward township. He received a common school education, and has always been engaged in farming, carrying on the farm in partnership with his brother Solomon. He is a mem-

ber of the Baptist church, and in politics, he is a Prohibitionist. Mr. Stamm is one of the leading citizens of Forward township, and, like his brother, takes an active interest in the growth and development of the community.

William H. Stamm, son of Daniel and Sophia (Woster) Stamm, was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, September 23, 1853. He is a grandson of Daniel Stamm, whose father settled in Franklin township, Beaver county, close to the line of Jackson township, at an early date. His father was born in 1817, and settled upon a part of the old homestead, in Beaver county, where he died in July, 1880. His family were as follows: Eliza, wife of David Morrison; Lena, wife of David Ziegler; Frank; Alice D., wife of Frank Stamm; William H., and Edward W., who resides upon the homestead with his mother. The subject of this sketch was reared in Beaver county, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm. He then purchased a farm close at hand, upon which he lived four years. In the spring of 1891 he bought his present farm in Jackson township, containing 103 acres, and has since resided upon it engaged in general farming. Mr. Stamm was married in 1887, to Lizzie, daughter of George L. Behm, of Jackson township, and is the father of one son, Harold Byron. He is a deacon in Grace Reformed church of Harmony. Politically, he is a Prohibitionist, is a member of Columbia Alliance, of Harmony, and is one of the progressive young farmers of the community.

Oswald A. Rader was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, grew to manhood in his native place, and in 1834 immigrated to the United States and settled in Kentucky. In 1838 he located in Forward township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased what is now known as the Marshall Brinton farm, and lived upon it for ten years. He then purchased his present homestead in Forward township, containing 200 acres, which he has cleared and brought under cultivation. In 1887 oil was discovered upon his farm, and it now contains several wells, some of which have produced as high as 200 barrels per day. Mr. Rader is one of the progressive farmers of his township, and takes an interest in everything calculated to benefit the community. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, is an adherent of St. John's Lutheran church, of Petersville. He married Margaret, a daughter of John Flinner, of Jackson township, to which union have been born thirteen children: John; Henry; Adam; Peter; Frederick; William M.; Annie, wife of L. C. Goehring; Kate, wife of James Esterling; Lizzie; Tillie, wife of H. E. Drushell; Benjamin; Phillip, and Ida. Mr. Rader is retired from active business, his farm now being carried on by his sons. He has filled the offices of overseer of the poor, school director and auditor.

William M. Rader, sixth son of Oswald A. Rader, was born on the homestead in Forward township, in 1864, and was reared beneath the parental roof. In 1887 he built his present residence on the home farm, and is engaged in general farming. Politically, he is one of the leading young Democrats of Forward township, and is at present township assessor. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, of Petersville, and is a trustee and secretary of that organization. Mr. Rader married Emma, a daughter of Elias Goehring, in 1887, and has two children, Nora and Elmer.

William M. Marshall was a native of Derry county, Ireland, born in 1814, and was brought to the United States when a boy of eight years of age. He learned the hatter's trade in Pittsburg, followed that business for some years, and subsequently engaged in merchandising at Allegheny City, where he filled the office of tax collector. About 1841 he removed to Evans City, Butler county, and opened a general store, which he carried on for two years, and then returned to Allegheny City. One year afterward he again came to Butler county, and located at Whitestown, Connoquenessing township, opened a store and carried on business at that point some four years. He next settled upon a portion of the McLeod farm, in Forward township, having married Jane, daughter of Enos McLeod, April 3, 1845. He resided upon this farm down to his death, April 27, 1885. He followed farming and coal mining the greater portion of his time. By his marriage to Jane McLeod, he was the father of eleven children, as follows: Samuel J.; Robert J.; Henry; George, and Mary, all of whom are dead; Charley, deceased, who married Mary Miller; Tillie; Lavina, and three that died in infancy. Mrs. Marshall resides upon the homestead in Forward township. She is a descendant of one of the pioneer families of the county. In early life Mr. Marshall was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, in which party he was quite a leading member. He was a warm friend of education and a school director for several years. He was a prominent member of the United Presbyterian church, and gave liberally of his means toward the support of that denomination.

Samuel J. Marshall, eldest son of William M. Marshall, was born at Whitestown, Butler county, January 13, 1849, and received a common school education. From 1873 to 1885 he conducted an extensive coal business, mining the coal on his father's farm. Since the latter year he has been engaged in oil producing, farming and coal mining. He is an adherent of the Republican party, has filled the office of school director, and also that of roadmaster. In religious belief, he is connected with the United Presbyterian church. He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and is recognized as one of the enterprising farmers of the community.

Robert J. Marshall, second son of William M. Marshall, was born upon the homestead farm at Whitestown, Butler county, May 31, 1851. He received a good public school education, and has taught considerable in the township schools in connection with cultivating the old homestead farm. He is a Republican, in politics, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

George Marshall, fourth son of William M. Marshall, was born in Forward township, Butler county, April 3, 1857, received a common school education, was reared a farmer, and is engaged in farming and oil producing. They had eleven producing wells upon the homestead farm, which was one of the most valuable in the township. Mr. Marshall is a Republican, in politics, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Hartman Knauff, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, settled in Cranberry township, Butler county, where he purchased a farm of 160 acres, upon which he resided until his death. His family consisted of five sons and three daughters, as follows: Martin, and Michael, both deceased; Henry, of Cran-

berry township; John; Hartman, who died on the trip to America; Catherine, wife of Jacob Wihing; Gertrude, wife of Mr. Miller, and Lizzie, who died on the passage to the United States. Mr. Knauff and wife died in Cranberry township. They were adherents of the Lutheran church, and were among the early members of the Zelienople congregation.

JOHN KNAUFF, fourth son of Hartman Knauff, was born in Germany in 1824, and at the age of fourteen came with his parents to Butler county. He worked on the homestead farm until his marriage, in 1845, to Sophia, daughter of Michael Fox, when he settled upon a farm owned by his father-in-law. He afterwards located on a 200-acre tract of land in Forward township, where his son A. H. now resides. His wife died three years after their marriage, and he subsequently married Sophia, daughter of Christian Rape, of Jackson township. Six children were born of this union, three of whom are living, as follows: Mary, wife of George Dambach; Sophia, wife of George Meeder, and Adam Henry. Mr. Knauff has retired from active business, and resides with his son upon the homestead farm. Politically, a Democrat, he has filled the office of school director and other minor positions in his township. He is a trustee and elder in the Lutheran church, at Zelienople.

ADAM HENRY KNAUFF, only son of John and Sophia (Rape) Knauff, was born upon the homestead farm, in Forward township, September 19, 1861, and received a common school education. In 1883 he purchased a farm of 200 acres, where he has since resided. He had upon his farm thirty-six producing wells, drilled since 1890, one of which produced ninety barrels per hour, and another 100 barrels per hour. He now has five producing wells. Mr. Knauff married Mary, daughter of George Knauff, of Jackson township, and has four children: William; Henry; Lena, and Frank. In 1893, he was elected, on the Democratic ticket, township auditor. He is an adherent of the Lutheran church, to which denomination his father belongs.

JACOB MILLER was born about 1773, in Alsace, Germany, where he grew to manhood. He settled first in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, about 1830, whence he removed to Butler county about 1832, and settled upon a rented farm near Prospect, in Franklin township. After a few years he removed to Beaver county, and died there in 1848. He was married in Germany, and his children were as follows: Nicholas; Adam; John; Jacob, who went to South America; Mrs. Mary Nicklas; Mrs. Lizzie Boss, and Mrs. Brunner.

JOHN B. MILLER, third son of Jacob Miller, was born in Alsace, Germany, in 1807. He learned the mason's trade, immigrated to the United States with his parents, came with them to Butler county, and purchased a small farm near Harmony, in Jackson township, where he resided until 1843. He then bought fifty acres, now owned by his son John M., in Forward township, upon which he resided until within two years of his death, when he retired, and lived with his son John M. until he died, in April, 1890. He married Christina Martz, a native of France, who died in February, 1869. Their children were as follows: Jacob M., a resident of Forward township, who married Margaret Cashdollar, and is the father of eight children; John M.; Elias M.; Catherine, deceased, who was twice married, first to Wheeler Henry, and after his death to Adam Beal; Mar-

Jas Barr

garet, who married William Irion, and subsequently John Halficker; Sadie, wife of John Hord, and three that died in infancy. Mr. Miller and wife were members of the Evans City Reformed church, in which organization he filled the office of elder. Politically, he was a stanch Democrat.

JOHN M. MILLER, second son of John B. and Christina Miller, was born January 19, 1846, in Forward township, Butler county. At the age of twenty-eight he took charge of the homestead farm, which he conducted until 1883, and then purchased his present farm, known as the Nicklas place, containing fifty-six acres, and now cultivates both farms, but resides upon his own. He has one producing well upon his own property, and ten upon the old homestead. He married Caroline Burr, who died in the spring of 1885, leaving four children, three of whom are living: Annie, wife of Frank Thomas; Tillie; Lena, and Peter, deceased. Mr. Miller is a member of the Reformed church, and politically, he is a Democrat.

GEORGE MARBURGER, SR., was born in Hesse-Hingelhoff, Kreischluter, Germany, November 3, 1813, and was a son of George Marburger, born in the same place, in 1781. His parents came to Zelienople, Butler county, in 1838, accompanied by their sons George and Henry, removing one year afterwards to the vicinity of Evans City. Three sons and two daughters had preceded them to this country. His father resided with our subject until his death, which occurred December 7, 1870. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and was buried in the Evans City cemetery. The subject of this sketch came to the United States with his father, and lived with him until 1843, when he purchased a farm of 100 acres, to which he later added forty acres, in what is now Forward township, Butler county, upon which he still resides. Prior to immigrating to the United States he learned the wheelwright's trade, and also served five years in the German army. He was a member of the Lutheran church, was an elder in that denomination for a number of years, and also a trustee and treasurer. In politics, he is a Democrat. Mr Marburger married Kunigunda Marburger, of his native town, who bore him a family of six children, as follows: Catherine, who married John Kauffman; Margaret, who married John Twentier; Mary, deceased; George; Eva, wife of Alexander Schilling, and John.

GEORGE MARBURGER was born upon the old homestead in Forward township, Butler county, January 12, 1845, and was reared in his native township. In February, 1865, he enlisted in Company E, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Capt. R. I. Boggs, and was honorably discharged from the service September 11, 1865. He married Magdalene, a daughter of Casper Kauffman, of Jackson township, and is the father of the following children: William L.; John A., deceased; Emma C.; George A., deceased; Daniel; Catherine K.; Anna M., and Henry, both deceased; Charles; Maggie L., and Flora M. Mr. Marburger is a member of the Lutheran church, and has been president of the church council. He is one of the active and influential Democrats of Adams township, has filled the offices of school director and overseer of the poor for a number of years, and was the Democratic nominee for treasurer of Butler county in 1893.

JOHN MARBURGER, youngest son of George Marburger, Sr., was born upon the homestead farm in Forward township, August 28, 1854, where he also grew to manhood. He is now the owner of 170 acres of land in Forward township, which he cultivates in connection with his father's farm. He married Mary M., daughter of Martin Wahl, of Evans City, and they are the parents of eight children: Martin; Katie; Andrew; John; Wallace; Ausmus; Adam, and Minnie. Besides his farming operations, Mr Marburger is also engaged in oil producing, and has eight oil wells and two gas wells. He and wife are members of the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

JAMES HAZLETT was born in 1800, upon the old homestead farm in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, was reared a farmer, and learned the tanner's trade in Butler county, after which he embarked in that business in Allegheny county. He carried it on for eight years, and then settled upon a farm in Forward township, Butler county, where the remainder of his life was spent. In 1830 he married Margaret Hamilton, a daughter of James Hamilton, of Allegheny county. Her father was a son of James Hamilton, a native of Ireland, who immigrated to West Deer township, Allegheny county, in 1819, where he reared a family of six children, and was prominent in the Presbyterian church of that locality, dying about 1848. Her father was the third in the family. Ten children were born to James and Margaret Hazlett, as follows: Robert, now a resident of Canada; John, who died at Andersonville prison during the Rebellion; William, deceased; James, a resident of Wyoming; George, who resides in Boston; Alexander, who is now in McDonald; Leslie P., of Forward township; Martha, who married Hillary Wilson; Mary, a resident of Grove City, and Margaret, wife of Alonzo Shorts. Mr. Hazlett died in 1873, and his wife in 1887. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican. During his residence in Forward township he filled the offices of school director and supervisor, and was one of the warmest supporters of the public school system.

LESLIE P. HAZLETT was born in 1843, upon the homestead farm in Allegheny county, son of James and Margaret Hazlett, and came with his parents to Butler county, where he purchased fifty acres of land adjoining his father's farm, on the line of Connoquenessing and Forward townships, and afterwards bought his father's homestead. In 1870 he was married to Barbara Ziegler, a daughter of Jonas and Elizabeth Ziegler, of Harmony, Butler county, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Letitia, wife of Clinton Henshew, of Allegheny; George W.; Lizzie; Frank L. and Maggie. Mrs. Hazlett died in 1887. Politically, he has been one of the active Republicans of his locality for many years, has been school director in his township for twenty-two years, and has filled the office of justice of the peace for five years. He was re-elected to the last mentioned office, but refused to serve. He was originally a member of the Presbyterian church, but is now a Methodist. He is connected with Harmony Lodge, Number 429, F. & A. M., and has been a member of the Masonic order for nearly thirty years. Mr. Hazlett is one of the prosperous farmers of Butler county, his farm being in the Hundred Foot field, and now containing twelve producing wells, operated by the Forest Oil Company, the Columbia Oil Company, Abrams & Company, and Elias Barnhart.

Isaac Riley, a native of Armagh county, Ireland, grew to manhood in his native land, and afterwards immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where he found employment in an iron mill. He followed the occupation of heater for some years, but about 1854 he purchased a farm in Forward township, upon which his son Samuel now lives, which he cleared and improved. He died here August 3, 1864, aged fifty-eight years. He was twice married, his first wife being a native of Ireland and dying before he came to the United States. She was the mother of the following children: John; Joseph, deceased; William; Robert; Mary J., who married John E. Small, and Eliza, who married Martin McBride. These children came with their father to Pittsburg. His second wife was Mrs. Margaret Beck, *nee* Spear. She survived him some years, and is buried in the United Presbyterian cemetery at Brownsdale. Two children were the fruits of this union: Samuel, and Thomas, the latter deceased. In early life Mr. Riley was a Presbyterian, but after coming to this county he united with the Methodist Episcopal church, of Forward township, and was a trustee in that body. He was first a Whig, and later a Republican.

Samuel Riley, only living son of Isaac and Margaret (Beck) Riley, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1845, and came with his parents to Forward township, where he was reared and educated. After his father's death he purchased the homestead, and has since made all the improvements now upon it. Mr. Riley married Sarah J., daughter of John McElroy; she was born in Pittsburg, and died May 14, 1864, leaving no children. Mr. Riley married for his second wife, Mary J., daughter of John Thompson, of Middlesex township, and they are the parents of nine children: John; Harry; Langdon; William; Wylie; Charley; Josie; Maggie, and Lizzie. Mr. Riley is one of the leading farmers of his township, and is recognized as an enterprising citizen. In politics, he is a Republican, and has filled the office of school director for one term.

Henry Philip Conrad Wagner, son of John Jacob and Eva Catherine (Masonholt) Wagner, was born in the City of Worms, Germany, May 21, 1834. His father emigrated from Germany in 1839, and settled with his family in New Sewickley township, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, where he is yet living. His family consists of the following children: Henry Philip Conrad; Eva, wife of Joseph Goehring; John Jacob; Laura, wife of Charles Cheney; Caroline, wife of George Stinecker; Margaret, wife of John Behm; George P., and Elizabeth, wife of Adam Rape. The subject of this sketch was reared to farm life, and in 1860 he purchased a portion of his present homestead in Forward township, and has added thereto, until he has now a farm of nearly 170 acres. Mr. Wagner learned the carpenter's trade, and for a time followed that business in connection with farming. He has always manifested commendable interest in the public schools, has served as school director, and has also filled the office of township auditor. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in religion, adheres to the German Reformed church. He has been an elder in the Evans City congregation for many years. In 1863 he married Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Marshing, of Penn township, and has four children: George H.; Charley P.; Sarah M., and Paulina E.

Adam Weber, a native of Baden, Germany, came to the United States about 1830, and lived in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, about one year. He was a miller, and operated a mill in Pittsburg, whence he removed to Butler county about 1832. He purchased about 100 acres of land in Penn township, where his son John now resides, and this he cleared and improved. He was married in Germany to Fanny Doup, and was the father of the following children: Peter, of Butler township; Samuel, of Forward township; George, a resident of New York state; Adam, of Butler; Susannah, and John, of Penn township. Mr. Weber died in March, 1865; his wife survived until 1883. He filled the offices of constable, and collector of his township. In religious belief, he was a Lutheran, and was a trustee in the Lutheran church at Butler.

Samuel Weber, second son of Adam Weber, was born in Germany, January 26, 1826, and was educated in the German schools. He learned the stonemason's trade, and followed that business until 1883, when he retired to his farm in Forward township, which he had purchased in 1852. He cleared and improved this place and erected all of the present buildings. Mr. Weber was married in 1855, to Anna Welt, a native of Germany, who died in 1874. The following children were born to this union: Margaret, widow of Hugh Strowick; John, of Beaver Falls; Adam, of Pittsburg; Kate, wife of Jacob Strowick; George, deceased; Samuel; Fannie, and Louisa, wife of F. Brown. His second wife was Lucinda, daughter of George Shaffer. Politically, Mr. Weber is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of the Lutheran church of Butler.

Henry May was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1834, and came to Butler county when sixteen years of age, settling in Cranberry township. He followed farming, and after reaching manhood he bought the Hartman farm, but subsequently sold it and bought a farm in Forward township, where he died, February 12, 1880. In 1854 he married Annie, a daughter of Peter Scheidemantle, of Lancaster township, who bore him a family of seven children: William H.; Eli, of Butler; Annie K., wife of Jonas Hartzell, of Penn township; George; Eva, wife of John Scheidemantle, of Pittsburg; Mary E., and Matilda. Mrs. May resides at Evans City, and is a member of the Reformed church, to which denomination her husband belonged. In politics, he was a Democrat, and filled the office of school director for one term.

David C. Johnston was born on the Johnston homestead, in Pine township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, March 17, 1844, and is a son of John and Elizabeth (Crawford) Johnston, who were married in 1837. His father was a native of Pine township, Mercer county, born in 1815, and by his marriage to Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander Crawford, he was the father of ten children, as follows: Albert G. C.; Elizabeth; Jane; Catherine; David C.; Ruth; Margaret; Hannah; Kennedy K., and John N. The father died in the spring of 1864; his widow resides with her daughter, Catherine, at Grove City. The subject of this sketch was reared upon the homestead in Mercer county, and received a common school education. He enlisted in Company H, Two Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered into service at Camp Copeland. His company proceeded to Washington, D. C., and then went into service on the Alexandria railroad, where they remained eight months, then

returned to the forts at Washington, thence to Camp Copeland, where Mr. Johnston was mustered out of service June 22, 1865. Returning to Mercer county he was engaged in the lumber business until 1869, when he embarked in oil producing at Parker City. From there he came to Butler and operated in the Thorn Creek field, and has continued the business up to the present. Mr. Johnston married Mary M., daughter of James McConnell, of Mercer county, June 4, 1868, to which union were born six children: Edwin E., deceased; Lester E.; Willna W.; Celia A.; Lizzie C., and John N. Mr. Johnston is a member of A. G. Reed Post, G. A. R,; is a Republican in politics, and was one of the confreres that nominated John M. Greer for State Senator in 1876. In 1875 he was a candidate for treasurer in Armstrong county, and received every vote but three in Hovey township, where he lived, and every vote in his precinct. Though he had been a resident of Armstrong county only five years, he was fourth in the contest for nomination.

Joseph Blakeley was born in Ireland about 1773, received a fair English education, and after arriving at manhood he immigrated to the United States and settled in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, whence he removed to Allegheny county. He came to Butler county in 1796, purchased a farm of eighty acres in what is now Forward township, where he died in 1858. He was married in Ireland to a Miss Harvey, who came with him to America, and died in Butler county, about 1838. They were the parents of six children, as follows: Jane, who married William Mellis; Delilah, who married Alexander Steel; Mary, who married Jesse Rolls; Lewis; Harvey, and Joseph. Mr. Blakeley was a Quaker, and died in that faith.

Lewis Blakeley was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1794, came to Butler county with his parents when but two years of age, and grew to manhood in Forward township. In 1815 he married Jane McAllister. She was born in Washington county, March 7, 1797, a daughter of Archibald McAllister, a native of Ireland, who settled in Forward township, Butler county, in 1801. Mr. Blakeley established a distillery on the farm subsequently owned by his son Andrew, and carried on that business in connection with agriculture for many years. Lewis and Jane Blakeley were the parents of the following children: John; Andrew; Jesse; Isaac; Joseph; Archibald; Lewis; Harvey; William; Hannah J.; Thomas G., and Mordecai G. Archibald and William were members of the Butler county bar for several years, and are well known in this county. Encouraged by their mother's patriotic devotion and loyalty, five of the sons entered the Union army, and one laid down his life in defence of the flag. The father died September 3, 1845, leaving to his widow the care of a large family. She was, however, a woman of keen discretion, strong will power, and great industry, and possessed both moral and physical courage. She performed well the duties that fell to her lot and gave her children every advantage which the times afforded. She and husband joined the Union church, which was organized in the neighborhood, and both remained consistent members the balance of their lives. Mrs. Blakeley survived her husband nearly thirty-seven years, dying June 15, 1882, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Cookson, of Cranberry township, in the eighty-sixth year of her age.

ANDREW BLAKELEY, second son of Lewis and Jane Blakeley, was born in Forward township, Butler county, June 8, 1818, grew to manhood in his native township, and married Sarah Jane Harris, to which union were born six children, viz.: Lewis, a resident of Missouri; William J., of Adams township; Margaret J., wife of John Cooper; Isaac E., also a resident of Adams; Harriet E., deceased, and Joseph L., of Jefferson township. Mr. Blakeley is a member of the Union church, of Adams township, where he now resides, and hauled the brick used in the erection of the building. In politics, he is a Republican. He has followed farming all his life, and is to-day one of the oldest native born citizens of Butler county, in which he has lived for more than three quarters of a century.

ISAAC E. BLAKELEY, son of Andrew Blakeley, was born on the old homestead, in Forward township, Butler county, June 7, 1851, received a common school education, and learned the marble cutter's trade in Butler. He has worked at that business ever since, and is now carrying on marble cutting upon his farm in Adams township. He married Louisa Behm, a daughter of Nicholas Behm, of Forward township, and has seven children, as follows: Henry A.; Amelia M.; Walter G.; Gertrude A.; Sarah L.; Charles J., and John B. Mr. Blakeley is one of the active workers in the Republican party, and gives an unswerving support to the principles and measures of that organization.

WILLIAM CRISWELL was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1774, and came to Philadelphia in 1791, where he began selling goods through the country districts surrounding that city. He followed peddling for about seven years, and in 1798 he crossed the Allegheny mountains on foot, and settled upon a tract of 200 acres of land in what is now Adams township, Butler county. He was then a single man, and kept bachelor's hall for two years in a log cabin which he had built in the midst of the primitive forest. Often the wolves would surround his cabin as soon as darkness came on and make night hideous with their howling, until driven away by a shot from his trusty rifle. For some time after making his settlement, he engaged in packing salt, ammunition, etc., from Pittsburg, Carlisle, and Philadelphia, for the use of the pioneers, and thus earned a little surplus money. In June, 1800, he was married to Margaret, daughter of Robert Criswell, of Cumberland county, and the young couple began their married life in the rude cabin erected two years before. Eleven children were born to this union, two of whom, John and Isabella, died in early youth. The names of those who grew to maturity are as follows: Mary, who married William Hutchman; Martha, who married James Kidd; Robert, who died unmarried, in 1856; Nancy, who died single, in 1868; Margaret, who married Robert McKinney; Elizabeth, who became the wife of James Plummer; Jane, who married Samuel Purvis, of Beaver county; Susanna, who married Samuel Kidd, and James. The parents were members of the Covenanter church, in which Mr. Criswell was an elder. They spent their whole married life in this county, and died upon the farm where they settled.

JAMES CRISWELL was born in Adams township, Butler county, February 7, 1820, and was the youngest son of William and Margaret Criswell. He grew to manhood on the old Criswell homestead, and was married November 24, 1842,

to Elizabeth, daughter of David Spear, of Adams township. They are the parents of seven children as follows: William, deceased; David; Robert, deceased; Margaret, wife of Professor Mitchell, of New Wilmington; John A.; James P., and Mary E., wife of T. L. Donaldson, of Glade Mills. Mr. Criswell was formerly a Republican, but is now a Prohibitionist. He has filled several of the offices in his township, but aside from local matters has taken little interest in public affairs, devoting his life to agricultural pursuits.

JOHN A. CRISWELL, fourth son of James Criswell, was born May 13, 1853, and was reared upon his father's farm. He followed agriculture for some years, then went into the undertaking and livery business, and is now located at Mars in that business. He married Jennie, a daughter of James McKibben, of Ohio, and has five children: Imo V.; Nettie E., deceased; John R.; David C., and Lulu B. Mr. Criswell is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

ANDREW BARR, SR., was a native of Derry county, Ireland, and there married Jane McKee, about 1794. In 1813, accompanied by his wife and three children, John, James and Jane, he immigrated to the United States, and purchased a tract of land called "Camperdown" from William Roseboro, located in what is now Adams township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. Here Andrew and wife spent the remainder of their lives, and did their full share towards the improvement of the township. John married Jane Dickey; James, married Jane Spear, and was killed while assisting in the erection of a barn on the Ross farm; while Jane remained unmarried, and died in 1878, aged seventy-eight years. The parents were members of the Covenanter church.

JOHN BARR was born in Ireland, in 1795, was the eldest child of Andrew and Jane Barr, and came to Butler county with his parents, where he grew to manhood. In 1821 he was married to Jane Dickey, daughter of David Dickey, of Deer Creek township, Allegheny county, to which union were born seven children: Mary J., deceased wife of Jacob Stoup; Andrew, and David, both deceased; James; Margaret E., deceased; Margaret E., named for her deceased sister, and John. The parents were members of the Covenanter church, and died upon their farm in Adams township, which is now the property of their son, James. They were worthy people, and won the respect and confidence of the community in which they resided.

JAMES BARR was born April 5, 1828, upon the homestead in Adams township, Butler county, and is the oldest living son of John and Jane Barr. He received a good common school education, and has been a farmer all his life. Mr. Barr has been twice married, his first wife being Mary Ann, daughter of Isaac Sterrett, of Lawrence county, who became the mother of one son, John C., born January 26, 1854. His second wife was Matilda, daughter of Archibald S. McCord, of Allegheny county. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which denomination he has been trustee for a number of years, and is now filling the office of deacon. In politics, he is a stanch Republican, has filled the office of justice of the peace for ten years, and has been a school director for the same length of time. He is one of the leading farmers of his township, and takes an active part in the public affairs of the county.

Andrew Barr was born about 1825, upon the old Barr homestead, in Adams township, Butler county, son of John and Jane (Dickey) Barr. He was reared upon his father's farm, and was educated in a subscription school of his neighborhood. He married Nancy G., daughter of Judge Samuel Marshall, of Butler county, to which union nine children were born, as follows: Samuel J.; Esther B.; Mary, and Nancy O., all of whom are dead; two who died in infancy; Emma J.; John C., and Andrew M. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Barr was an elder for thirty years. He was a Republican, in politics, and filled several of the township offices at different periods. Mrs. Barr died July 20, 1880, and her husband July 5, 1892.

John C. Barr, physician and surgeon, was born April 28, 1859, upon the homestead farm in Cranberry township, son of Andrew and Nancy G. Barr. After receiving a common school education, he spent three years at Sharpsburg Academy, preparing for a college course, taught school for two years, and then entered Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, in 1883, where he was graduated April 2, 1885. He was resident physician at the Women's Hospital, West Philadelphia, for six months, and then located at Mars, Butler county, where he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession. He is surgeon for the Pittsburg and Western Railway Company. Dr. Barr was married September 26, 1888, to Lulu C., a daughter of Abraham Campbell, of Pittsburg, and has one daughter, Helen C. He is a trustee in Mars United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He was elected a delegate to the Republican State Convention of 1894, having the largest vote in the county. Dr. Barr is an ex-president of the Butler County Medical Society, and is one of its active and most useful members. He is a member of the State Medical Society, also of the National Association of Railway Surgeons, and since locating at Mars he has built up a gratifying practice.

Andrew M. Barr, youngest son of Andrew and Nancy G. Barr, was born upon the old homestead in Cranberry township, Butler county, April 18, 1867, received a good common school education, and also graduated at Duff's Commercial College. He studied medicine and graduated from the Medical Department of the Western University in the spring of 1894, and is now practicing his profession in Pittsburg. In 1892 he married Bessie Campbell, of that city, and has one child, DeWitt C.

William McMarlin was born near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in October, 1798, son of William McMarlin, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, born in 1753. His father came to the United States and settled on the Susquehanna, near the site of Harrisburg, where he died in 1843. The subject of this sketch was reared on his father's farm, and was educated in the pioneer subscription schools. He married Magdalena Burkhart, a daughter of Jacob Burkhart, of Allegheny county. In 1822 he purchased a farm of 133 acres in Adams township, which he cleared and improved; it is now the home of his son, James A. Mr. McMarlin was the father of eight children, as follows: Jacob B.; William D.; John, and David, the last three of whom are dead; Mary; David, and Martha J., both deceased, and James A. In early life he was a member of the Covenanter church, but later joined the United Presbyterian faith and was an elder in that

church for thirty years. In politics, he was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and seldom voted any other ticket. He died at Tally Cavey in October, 1883.

James A. McMarlin, youngest son of William and Magdalena McMarlin, was born upon his present farm, March 17, 1837, and was reared and educated in Adams township. In 1861 he enlisted in Company A, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, under Capt. William Williams, and served six months on scouting duty. He was then honorably discharged, and soon after re-enlisted in Battery L, Second Pennsylvania Artillery, under Capt. Paul T. Jones. He participated in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House, North Anna, Bethesda Church, Cold Harbor, Weldon Railroad, Siege of Petersburg, Mine Explosion, Fort Harrison, and the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. He was discharged from the service February 11, 1866, and then returned to his home in Butler county. Mr. McMarlin was married October 3, 1864, to Emma, daughter of Samuel Duncan, and is the father of six children: Grant, deceased; John G.; William J.; Harry S., deceased; Jacob S., and Bertha P. He is stanch Republican, has filled several of the township offices, and was elected treasurer of Butler county in 1884, which position he creditably filled for a full term. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church. He is a prominent and influential citizen, and one of the progressive and enterprising farmers of the county.

Hon. Samuel Marshall was born in Antrim county, Ireland, April 6, 1800, came to Pennsylvania, with his parents, James and Jean (Peebles) Marshall, in 1822, remained two years in Pittsburg, and in 1824 located in what is now Penn township, Butler county. After coming to this country he worked at various occupations until his marriage, in 1825, to Mary Gilliland, a daughter of Barnet Gilliland, of Connoquenessing township, when he settled on a farm belonging to his father-in-law in what is now Adams township. He soon began to take an active part in political affairs, was elected a justice of the peace and to other minor positions in his township, and in 1848 was appointed associate judge of Butler county, was elected to the same position in 1851, again in 1870, and re-elected in 1875. He was serving on the bench at the time of his death, November 1, 1880. His wife died several years before, after a married life of more than half a century. Judge Marshall was extensively engaged in farming and stock raising, and was one of the largest real estate owners in the county. He was the father of the following children: James, and Atherton, both deceased; Mary G., wife of Andrew Boggs; Jane, widow of William Goehring, Esther, deceased wife of David Boyd; Kennedy, of Butler township; Daniel G., and Thomas M., both residents of Adams township; Sarah J., wife of James Boyle; Elizabeth B., deceased wife of Adam English, and Samuel J., of Adams township. In early life Judge Marshall was a Whig, but upon the formation of the Know Nothing party he became a Democrat, being bitterly opposed to proscription of any kind. He was an active anti-slavery advocate, and before the war his house was a station on the underground railroad for many years. He was a delegate to the Cincinnati convention that nominated Buchanan for the presidency, also to that of 1864 which nominated McClellan to the same office. He

was often a delegate to the State conventions and was a leading member of the Democratic party in this section of the State. In 1832 he joined the New School Presbyterian church, which later merged into the United Presbyterian denomination, and was a member of Union, and Mount Pleasant churches, of Adams township.

THOMAS KENNEDY was born in Derry county, Ireland, about 1776, and came to the United States in 1812, coming direct to Butler county, Pennsylvania. He settled upon a farm of 250 acres in Adams township, which he purchased from John Dunn. He learned the carpenter's trade in his native land, was a well educated man, and taught school for several years, but after settling in Butler county he devoted his attention to farming. He was a member of the Covenanter church down to within six years of his death, when he joined the United Presbyterian church. He died June 11, 1877. His wife survived him until February, 1883. Her maiden name was Anna Purvis, and she was a daughter of William Purvis of Pine township, Allegheny county. She was the mother of seven children, six of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Samuel A.; Robert; Alexander; Thomas W.; John, and Mary J., deceased.

JOHN KENNEDY, son of Thomas and Anna Kennedy, was born upon the homestead farm in Adams township, Butler county, May 6, 1834, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. In politics, he has always been a Republican, and has been township assessor, collector and overseer of the poor. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and has been church auditor for several years. He married Mary D., a daughter of David Douthett, of Indiana, and has had nine children, as follows: Alexander R., who died January 31, 1893; Mamie J., wife of William Graham, of Allegheny; Thomas C.; William C.; Leonard; Theora N.; Florence G.; Eva G., and James F. Mr. Kennedy has several producing oil wells on his farm, and is one of the prosperous farmers of the township.

ROBERT DUNCAN was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, in February, 1813, and was a son of Samuel Duncan, who came to this county in 1796. He grew up amidst the scenes of pioneer days, and obtained a few months schooling in the subscription schools of that period. He followed agricultural pursuits until his death. He married Julia Anna Graham, whose father was a resident of Connoquenessing township, to which union were born nine children: William; Nancy, who married James McCaw; Enos C.; Isaac N.; Beriah M.; Alexander C.; Presley; Robert B., and Mrs. Julia Wilson. Mr. Duncan and wife were members of Mt. Pleasant United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican. He filled most of the township offices, and was one of the respected farmers of his community.

PRESLEY DUNCAN was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, April 21, 1848, son of Robert Duncan, and grandson of Samuel Duncan. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and learned the plasterer's trade, which business he is now carrying on at Mars, Butler county. He was married April 15, 1875, to Christina, a daughter of Edward List, of Adams township. She died October 25, 1876. He was again married, to Grace E. S. Clow, a daughter of Samuel C. Clow, of North Sewickley, Beaver county. They are the parents of

five children: Walter R.; Clarence J.; Anna L.; Zelia C., and Presley E. Mr. Duncan is an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and is a stanch Republican.

James Magee, Sr., was born in Derry county, Ireland, in 1769, grew to manhood in his native land, and immigrated to the United States at the age of twenty-four years. In the last decade of the Eighteenth century he settled on 100 acres of land in what is now Jackson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, and afterwards purchased 230 acres additional. He later removed to Allegheny county, but returned to Butler county in 1821. He had learned the cooper's trade in Ireland, and followed that business after coming to America, but after locating in Butler county he devoted his principal attention to farming. To James and Jane Magee were born thirteen children, as follows: Isabella, deceased wife of Rody Miller, of Allegheny county; Mary A., deceased wife of John Flanagan, of Westmoreland county; Robert; Elizabeth, who married Thomas McCall, of Allegheny county; Rebecca, who married Joseph Douthett, of Butler county; William; George; Jane, who married Herman DeHaven, of Allegheny City; Susan; Lucinda; Margaret, who became the wife of James Anderson; James, and John, all of whom are dead. Mr. Magee was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church. He died in 1846, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

James Magee was born in Pine Creek township, Allegheny county, in 1814, son of James Magee, Sr., the pioneer of Jackson township, Butler county. He was reared upon his father's farm, and in 1839 he married Mary Douthett, a daughter of Benjamin Douthett, of this county, who bore him a family of ten children: William B.; Jane E.; Sarah M., wife of Dr. Thomas J. Blackwood, of New Castle; Martha, deceased wife of Cunningham Dickey; Rebecca, who married Thompson McKinney; Rosanna, deceased; Lucinda; James D.; Alzina J., wife of James Carpenter, and Leonidas W. Mr. Magee died September 10, 1864, and his wife September 20, of the same year. They were members of the Reformed Presbyterian church in early life, but afterwards joined the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. In politics, he was a Republican, but took little interest in public affairs.

John Magee was born in Allegheny county, November 4, 1818, and is the youngest son of James Magee, Sr. In 1850 he married Margaret A. Alexander, a daughter of William Alexander, of Beaver county. She died in 1887. They were the parents of six children, three of whom grew to maturity, as follows: William J., deceased; Mary J., wife of George Welsh, of Jackson township, and Martha S., deceased wife of George McGaw, of Mars. Mr. Magee is a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, and has held the office of elder in that denomination. He is one of the oldest citizens of Jackson township.

James D. Magee, son of James and Mary (Douthett) Magee, was born upon the homestead near Brownsdale, Butler county, January 19, 1854, and grew to maturity in his native township. He has been twice married; first to Elizabeth J. Dodds, daughter of David Dodds of Adams township, September 22, 1872 who bore him a family of five children: Mary J.; David D.; Rebecca M., deceased; Bertha B., and Edith M. Mrs. Magee died February 4, 1884. He

was again married April 8, 1887, to Sarah U. Crawford, a daughter of Sample Crawford, of Allegheny county, who is the mother of two children: Marian C., and Anna M. Mr. Magee is a Republican, in politics, and has been assessor in his township three terms, and school director for seven years. He has always taken an active interest in educational matters, and is also trustee and treasurer in the United Presbyterin church.

John Irvine was born in what is now Adams township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1824, and died March 22, 1864. He received a good education and taught for some years in connection with agricultural pursuits. He married Angeline Johnson, a daughter of Joseph Johnson, of Adams township, to which union were born seven children: John Q. A.; Samuel B.; Josephine, deceased; Cameron B.; Joseph C.; Wellington A., and Alpheus C. Mr. Irvine was a surveyor, and ran the lines dividing old Cranberry township into the several new ones. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, was a trustee in that denomination for a number of years, and in politics, he supported the Republican party.

Wellington A. Irvine, son of John and Angeline Irvine, was born upon the homestead in Adams township, Butler county, September 21, 1860. After receiving a common school education, he attended Grove City College for two terms, and subsequently engaged in teaching. He also learned the painter's trade, which he followed in connection with teaching for some time, afterwards engaging in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Irvine married Amelia Gilliland, a daughter of William H. Gilliland, of Adams township, and has three children: Rachel E.; Lulu A., and Chauncey C. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religion, is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church.

James Davison was born in Down county, Ireland, and came to America in 1775, where he soon afterwards joined the Continental army and served in the Revolutionary war. He was captured by the Indians in one of the battles, and was kept a prisoner by the savages for some time. He was twice married. By his first wife he was the father of five children: Samuel; John; William; Mary, who married a Mr. Williams, and Margaret, who married a Mr. Rose. His first wife died in 1843, and he was again married, but had no children by this union. Early in the present century he settled in Adams township, Butler county, where the remaining years of his life were spent.

William Davison, Sr., was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, and was a son of James Davison. He came with his parents to this county, and spent his life upon the homestead farm in Adams township. He married Margaret Houghton, who bore him a family of six children, as follows: Mary A., deceased; James K.; William; Margaret, who married L. Wilson; Lavina, deceased, and one that died in early youth. In politics, Mr. Davison was a Democrat, but took very little interest in political matters. His wife died August 2, 1858; he survived her until April, 1880.

James K. Davison, eldest son of William Davison, was born in 1844, upon the homestead farm, in Adams township. He has always been engaged in farming. He married Martha J., daughter of Roger McDonald, of Allegheny county, and is the father of five children: Eliza L.; William R.; Lawrence C.,

deceased; Thomas F., and Darwin W. Mr. Davison and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

William Davison was born in Adams township, Butler county, in 1857, and was reared upon the old homestead, receiving a common school education at the district school. He married Rosilla Wilson, to which union have been born six children, as follows: Clinton R.; Edward B., deceased; Cynthia A.; Theodore B.; Nora L., and Nancy B., deceased. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he has always voted the Republican ticket.

Hugh Kidd was born in Pine township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, about 1813, was reared a farmer, and received a limited education in the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. He married Margaret Spear, a daughter of David Spear, one of the first settlers of Adams township, Butler county, in 1830, and purchased the Spear farm, containing 150 acres, upon which he and wife settled. They became the parents of nine children, as follows: David S., and Sarah E., both deceased; Robert; Hugh Mc., deceased; Mary J., wife of Fred Fleisner, of Butler county, and James, Margaret E., and William, all of whom are dead, and Elizabeth, deceased wife of Anderson Purvis, of Beaver county. Hugh Mc and James enlisted in Company C, Eighty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and were killed at the battle of Perryville, Kentucky, and buried upon the battlefield. Mr. Kidd and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, and died upon the homestead in Adams township. He was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican, and was connected with the State Militia.

Robert Kidd was born December 6, 1833, upon his present farm in Adams township, and is the eldest living child of Hugh and Margaret Kidd. He was reared to farm life, and has always followed agricultural pursuits. He enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months, being honorably discharged in June, 1863. He was married in February, 1864, to Rosanna Douthett, a daughter of John Douthett, of Adams township, and is the father of nine children, seven of whom are living, as follows: James L.; Maggie E.; Ulysses Roscoe; John H.; Elvira E.; Ordillah I., and Blanche E. Mr. Kidd is a trustee in the United Presbyterian church, is a Prohibitionist in politics, and has filled most of the township offices at different periods.

William Cashdollar was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1801, came to Butler county in boyhood, and was reared by Joseph Parks, of Middlesex township. After reaching manhood he married Margaret Richardson, a daughter of Joseph Richardson, of Adams township, to which union were born twelve children: Catherine, who married Robert Hoon; John F.; William S.; Joseph; James; Margaret A., who married Jacob M. Miller; George W., deceased; Mary E., wife of Samuel Staples; Rosanna, wife of John A. Purvis; Samuel B.; Thomas D., and Matilda, wife of Samuel Ramsey. Mr. Cashdollar died July 4, 1882, at the age of eighty-one years. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and filled the office of elder in that denomination. He was a stanch Democrat, and was tax collector of Cranberry township, and supervisor

of Adams township. Mr. Cashdollar was one of the substantial and respected citizens of Butler county.

John F. Cashdollar was born in Cranberry township, now Adams, Butler county, January 19, 1835, and was reared and educated in his native township. He was married December 16, 1858, to Catherine Beers, a daughter of James Beers, of Adams township. They are the parents of eleven children, as follows: Jane, wife of Frederick McNeal; Samuel J., deceased; Margaret E., wife of John B. Hill; James M.; William O., deceased; Elizabeth B., wife of Harvey Miller; Robert F., deceased; Charles A.; Albert C.; David R., and Walter F. Mr. Cashdollar and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he is a trustee. In politics, he is a Democrat; was elected county auditor in 1878, and filled that office for three years. He takes an active interest in educational matters, and has served as school director.

Joseph Cashdollar was born in what is now Adams township, Butler county, upon the old homestead near Myoma, December 6, 1837, and is the third son of William Cashdollar. He grew to manhood engaged in the usual routine of a farmer's life, and was engaged in that vocation when he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, August 7, 1862. He served in the battles of Antietam and Fredericksburg, and was honorably discharged from the service June 3, 1863. Returning to his home, he was married to Sophia Staples, daughter of Job Staples, of Adams township, in September, 1864. Mrs. Cashdollar died in 1871, and the following year he married Elizabeth P., a daughter of Anthony Ramsey, of Cranberry township, to which union were born five children: Lawrence B.; Walter; Anthony S.; Edith E.; and Elizabeth, deceased. The mother died in 1881, and he married Miss Marburger, a daughter of Milton Marburger, of Adams township, in 1882. Three children are the fruits of this marriage, as follows: Milton; William, and George. Mr. Cashdollar is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is a deacon in that denomination. He is filling the office of notary public at the present time, and has also been a justice of the peace.

William Sterrett, physician and surgeon, was born September 25, 1824, and settled at Evans City, Butler county, in 1848, where he practiced his profession for several years. He married Sarah A., daughter of Maj. John Fife, of Allegheny county, who bore him a family of four children: Samuel O.; William H., deceased: Anna B., wife of William Fife, and Evadna M., who is engaged in missionary work near Tarsus, Asia. Dr. Sterrett died in 1857, and his wife in March, 1858.

Samuel O. Sterrett, physician and surgeon, was born at Evans City, Butler county, March 7, 1851, and is the eldest in the family of Dr. William Sterrett. He received a common school education, then attended Bethel Academy, and subsequently entered Western University. He taught school for nine years and was recognized as a successful teacher. In the meantime he commenced the study of medicine, attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, was graduated from that institution in the class of 1880, and located in practice at Pittsburg with his uncle, Dr. S. A. Sterrett. In 1881 he moved to Valencia station, Butler county, where he has since been engaged in the duties of his pro-

fession. He married Sarah A., daughter of William Brown, of Pittsburg, and is the father of eight children, as follows: William L.; James M.; Samuel A.; Norman Mc.; Wilson B.; David M.; Evadna I, and Carl F. Dr. Sterrett is one of the well known members of his profession in Butler county, enjoys a lucrative practice, and has won the esteem and confidence of the community in which he has resided for the past fourteen years.

David Shannon, Sr., was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1788, and came with his parents to Butler county in childhood. They settled in Muddy Creek township, where David grew to maturity. He learned the blacksmith's trade, at which he worked for many years, and afterwards purchased the Allen mill property, where he erected a grist, woolen and saw mill. He sold this property and bought 400 acres of land in Connoquenessing township, upon which his descendants still reside. Mr. Shannon was twice married. His first wife was Elizabeth White, and his second, Anna White, her sister. He was the father of eight children, as follows: John L.; Matthew W.; Rachel, who married Alfred Hines; Fannie, who married Matthew McCollough; Mary, who married Robert Lemmon; Elizabeth; David, and Samuel. Mr. Shannon died in 1880, and his wife in 1879. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he filled the office of elder. Mr. Shannon was a Republican, and served as a justice of the peace for several years.

Matthew W. Shannon was born on the homestead farm in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, December 5, 1821, second son of David Shannon. He was reared a farmer, and is now a resident of Mt. Chestnut. In 1845 he married Mary Stephenson, a daughter of Nathaniel Stephenson, of Franklin township, to which union were born nine children, viz.: David, and Stephenson, both deceased; Jennie, who married Abraham Hemphill; Alfred, deceased; John F.; Annie, wife of W. J. Moore; Sophronia H., wife of Clarence Double; Matthew W., and Benjamin F. Mr. Shannon is an adherent of the Republican party, has filled the offices of school director, assessor, collector, and supervisor, and has been constable of the township for thirteen years. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

John F. Shannon, son of Matthew W. and Mary Shannon, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, December 22, 1854. He received a good education and taught school for eight years. In 1882 he became a salesman for W. H. Walters, was railroad agent and assistant postmaster, and salesman for Thomas Marshall at Mars, and subsequently clerked for Frank Eichholtz, at Saxon Station. In 1888 he purchased the store of A. M. Beers, at Callery, where he has since carried on the mercantile business. Since 1894 the firm has been Shannon Brothers. He was appointed postmaster at Callery in 1888, and served until August 15, 1894. Mr. Shannon was married on June 5, 1884, to Bessie A. Rice, daughter of Henry B. Rice, of Cranberry township. They are the parents of five children, named as follows: Franklin W., deceased; Harry W.; Orian F., deceased; Myrna M., and Cleo B.

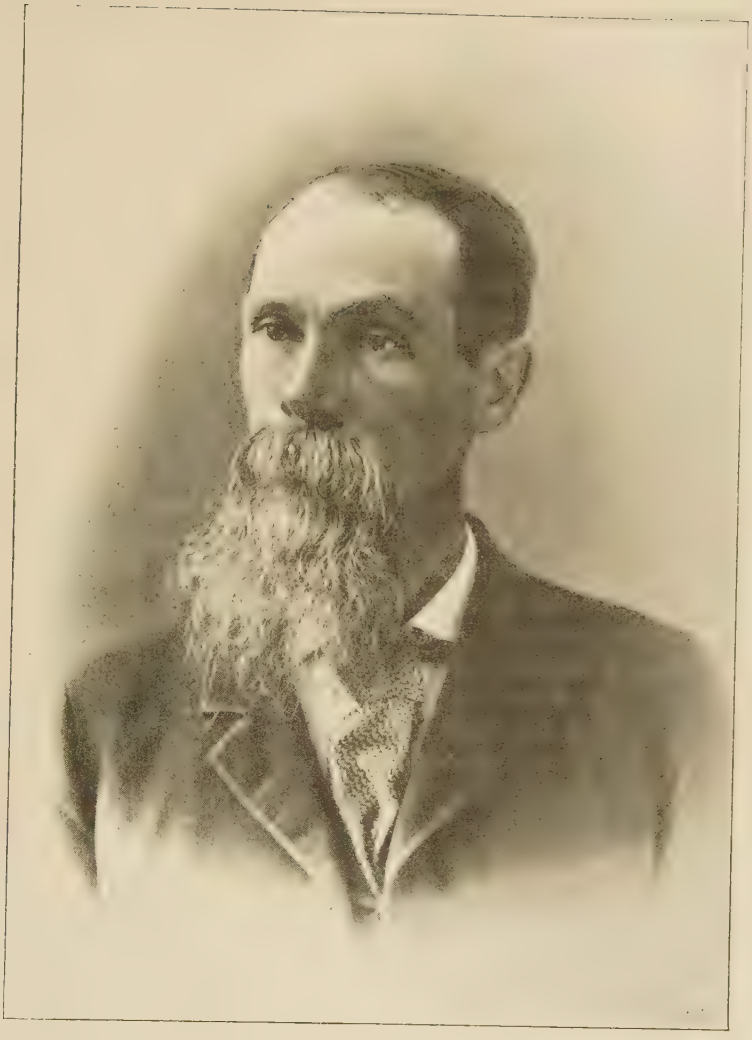
Isaac Covert was born in Jackson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, and grew to manhood in this county, receiving a limited education in the pioneer subscription schools. Like the majority of the pioneers he engaged in farm-

ing and followed that vocation. About 1819 he married Kate A. Roseboro, who became the mother of three children, as follows: Harriet, who married William Park, of Allegheny City; Charlotte, who married Robert Spear, of Adams township, and Mary A., who married Joseph Fowler, and after his death Curtis Fox. Mrs. Covert died in 1844, and he was married to Mrs. Louisa Crowe in 1845. One son, Miles, was the fruit of this union. Mr. Covert died in 1870; his widow survived until January, 1893. They were members of the Baptist church. In politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican. Mr. Covert settled on a tract of 100 acres of land in Adams township, and through the passing years he accumulated a large estate, and at his death was the owner of 500 acres. He was one of the substantial and highly respected citizens of the township, and enjoyed the confidence of the community wherein his life was passed.

Miles Covert was born upon the homestead in Adams township, Butler county, March 19, 1846, received a common school education, and was reared a practical farmer. On August 21, 1869, he married Maggie S. Boggs, a daughter of William Boggs, of Covington, Kentucky. Ten children were the fruits of this union, whose names are as follows: Leonard S.; Charles H.; Lily L., wife of George Dodds, of Butler; John W.; Andrew J.; Albert M.; Lida E.; Louisa S.; Isaac, and Maggie S. Mr. Covert was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and a trustee in that denomination for many years. Politically, he was a Republican, filled the office of school director, and always took a prominent part in public affairs. He was one of the most influential and enterprising men in his native township, and was highly respected by all who knew him. He died September 11, 1893, in his forty-eighth year, after a long illness and much suffering, which he bore with christian fortitude. Mrs. Covert was married November 28, 1894, to V. K. Morrison, of Butler, but still resides on the homestead farm.

John Hall was born in eastern Pennsylvania, in February, 1806, son of Joseph E. Hall, who was born in that part of the State about 1779. His father was a farmer and lumberman, and married Phoebe Covert about 1802. They were the parents of eight children: Ruhama, who married Samuel Freeman; John; Hall; Enoch; Mary A., who married William McGarey; Patience, who married William Kennedy; Priscilla, who married John Randolph, and Kerdilla, who married John S. Lucas. The subject of this sketch was a stonemason, came to Butler county in 1830, where he followed his trade for several years, and purchased a farm in 1839. He married Priscilla Covert, a daughter of Morris Covert, of Butler county, and was the father of the following children: Hulda; Algernon, deceased; Cyrus W.; Annie, who married Andrew Dunn; Joseph, and Isaac, both deceased; Minerva, and Enoch. Mr. Hall was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Democrat. He died upon his homestead in this county, in 1880; his wife died in 1885.

Cyrus W. Hall was born at Harmony, Butler county, October 13, 1836, and was the second son of John and Priscilla Hall. He received a common school education, and was reared a farmer, which vocation he has always followed. He was married three times; first to Lydia Morehead, a daughter of James Morehead of Jefferson county, October 16, 1862, and had one child by this union, Rose E.



S. P. Sterrett. M. D.

Mrs. Hall died April 30, 1866, and he was again married April 30, 1868, to Mrs. Liken, a daughter of John Covert, who died April 16, 1872. His third wife was Lena J., daughter of George Best, of Armstrong county, whom he married September 20, 1875. Four children were born to this union, as follows: Lester C.; John M.; Wilbert, and Lizzie E. Mr. Hall is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Prohibitionist.

PETER NICKLAS was born in France, in 1777, grew to maturity in his native land, and served in the French army under Napoleon the Great. He married in France, Margaret Firestine, and was the father of four children, as follows: Margaret, who married a Mr. Obert; Jacob; George H., and Charles, all of whom are dead. In 1833 Mr. Nicklas and family immigrated to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, but afterwards removed to Adams township, Butler county, where he died in 1854. His wife died in 1859. They were members of the Lutheran church, and followed farming as a vocation.

GEORGE H. NICKLAS was born in France in May, 1807, was reared in his native land, and there learned the weaver's trade. He came to the United States before his parents, and located in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, where he cleared and improved a farm. He was married in that county, in 1831, to Mary E., daughter of Henry Lux, to which union were born ten children: Mary, who married William Staley; Daniel P.; George; Henry; Gundy; Margaret, who married Barney Barron; William; Sarah, who married John Datt; Lydia, who married Joseph Ott, and Michael. Mr. Nicklas moved to Allegheny county, from Beaver, and remained six years, and in 1853 purchased 116 acres of land in Adams township, Butler county. He resided in this township until 1869, and then bought a half section of land in Iowa, located upon it and resided there until his death, in 1879. Mr. Nicklas was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and an ordained minister in that denomination. Politically, he was a Republican, and during his residence in Adams township filled most of the township offices.

DANIEL P. NICKLAS was born in Beaver county, November 26, 1835, and is the eldest son of George H. and Mary E. Nicklas. He attended the district school of his neighborhood in boyhood and was reared upon his father's farm. He was married October 18, 1857, to Christina, daughter of Jacob Foltz, of Forward township, to which union have been born ten children, as follows: Daniel; Mary, and William, both deceased; Wesley J.; Sarah L.; Grant G.; John; Edward; Lydia, and Margaret. Mr. Nicklas came to Butler county with his father in 1855, purchased twenty-five acres of land in Adams township in 1858, to which he subsequently added fifty acres. This farm he afterwards sold, and bought the old Sproul farm, upon which he now resides. He has since added forty-one acres of the Stoolfire farm. He is a member of the Methodist Protestant church, and an earnest supporter of that denomination. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of collector, assessor, and overseer of the poor.

WILLIAM THIELEMAN was born in Westphalia, Germany, July 9, 1824, grew to manhood in his native land, and came to the United States in 1845. He settled in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in steamboating, sub-

sequently going into the hotel business in that city. In December, 1857, he removed to Butler county, where he purchased the Dunn farm of ninety acres, upon which he has since resided. In 1874 he bought the Roger McDonald farm of 108 acres, and is thus the owner of nearly 200 acres of land. Mr. Thieleman married Wilhelmina Niemier, and they are the parents of the following children: Henry C., and Charles F., both deceased; Christian H.; Conrad F., deceased; Herman H.; Sophia W., wife of Mercer T. Marshall, of Mars; Mandana; Louis W.; Mary W., and one that died in youth. Mr. Thieleman is an elder in the German Lutheran church, and in politics, he has always supported the Democratic ticket.

Christian H. Thieleman was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1851, and is the oldest living child of William Thieleman. He came with his parents to Butler county, where he was reared upon his father's farm. In 1886 he married Caroline, daughter of Henry Thieker, of Adams township. She died June 12, 1887. His second wife was Mrs. Mary S. Black, a daughter of William Hespenheide, of Adams township, by whom he has two children: Francis W., and Elmer R. Mr. Thieleman is a member of the German Lutheran church, is a director in the public schools, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

David Balfour was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, in 1798, grew to maturity in his native land, and in 1828 married Margaret Stevenson, a daughter of John Stevenson, of Wigtonshire. In the spring of 1836 he immigrated to Philadelphia, came to Pittsburg, in the same year, and found employment in a stone quarry. Eighteen months afterwards he settled on a farm in Allegheny county, and followed farming in that county for thirteen years. He then came to Butler county, and purchased the Zortsman farm, in Adams township, from Judge Bredin, containing 185 acres, and died in the following August. His widow survived until 1878. They were the parents of two children, Samuel and John. Mr. Balfour and wife were members of the Established church of Scotland, and on coming to this country they united with the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith.

John Balfour was born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, August 4, 1835, and came to Butler county with his parents. He grew to manhood in this county, and has always been engaged in farming. Upon his farm are located five producing wells, one of which is the celebrated "Old Balfour, Number 1," which has been producing oil since 1885, and is the oldest producing Hundred Foot well in the State. It started at sixty barrels per day, and is now producing eighteen barrels per day. Mr. Balfour is quite an active Democrat, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church. On August 21, 1873, he married Mary A., daughter of John Cochrane, of Allegheny county, who died the following October. He was again married October 12, 1875, to Nevie A., daughter of G. W. Richardson of Adams township, to which union have been born eight children: Amelia H.; Stewart B.; John O., deceased; George F.; Margaret B., deceased; Chalmers B.; Olive M., and Dight.

Francis McCrum was born in Derry county, Ireland, about 1810, grew to manhood in his native land, and immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1843, where he was employed in teaming and freighting. While there he married, in

1844, Mary Hunter, a daughter of William Hunter of that city. He came to Butler county about 1850, and purchased 100 acres of land in Adams township, upon which he settled and lived for nearly forty years, dying upon the homestead in 1888. His wife died in 1866. Both were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. McCrum was a Republican. They were the parents of seven children, as follows: William, deceased; Lydia A., who married William Cox of Adams township; James, deceased; Annie, deceased wife of Charles Cowan; Alexander; Francis, and Isaac, both deceased.

Alexander McCrum, son of Francis and Mary McCrum, was born in Adams township, Butler county, December 11, 1850, and was reared upon the McCrum homestead. He learned the brick and stonemason's trade, and has followed that occupation for many years. He married Elizabeth B. Ogden, a daughter of Rev. Ephraim Ogden, of Middlesex township, July 30, 1874. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is an adherent of the Republican party.

Charles Langhorst was born in Prussia, Germany, September 4, 1825, and entered the Prussian army at the age of nineteen years, and was discharged from the service in 1847. He immigrated from Germany in September, 1847, and located in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, where he followed shoemaking. He remained there until 1866, and then came to Butler county, purchased a farm in Adams township, of Judge Samuel Marshall, upon which he has since resided. He married Regina, a daughter of William Niegengard, of Allegheny City, to which union twelve children have been born, as follows: William C.; Henry C.; Mary A., who married James Loughead, of Middlesex township; Tillie E., who married Christian Otto, of Allegheny City; Charles H.; Annie, wife of Benjamin Skiles, of Allegheny City; Agnes; Menie, wife of Berry Cooper, of Adams township; Regina; James E., and two died in infancy. In August, 1861, Mr. Langhorst enlisted in Company F, Seventy-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and participated in the battles of Cross Keys, Freeman's Ford, Sulphur Springs, Waterloo Bridge, Second Bull Run, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Seabrook Island, etc., and was in regimental hospital near Stafford Court House with frozen feet, and again at Long Isle, with rheumatism, contracted from exposure in the service. He was furloughed at Stafford Court House in the spring of 1863, rejoined his command at the same point, and was detailed in the spring of 1864 to make leather cases for carrying shells, which he worked at about six weeks on Mare Island. He was honorably discharged from the service near Washington, D. C., September 19, 1864. Mr. Langhorst is an elder in the Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

James Sloan was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, June 12, 1812, and was educated at a subscription school. He always took an active interest in educational matters, and was a member of the school board for many years. He married Isabella, a daughter of William McMarland, of Allegheny county, to which union were born eight children: Martha B., who married Joseph Logan; William A.; Margaret J., who married James Forsythe; Robert P.; James R.; John D., who served in the Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and who married Miss Nora Titus, of McKean county; Catherine, who married Erastus

R. McCandless, and Sarah B. Mr. Sloan was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was first a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. He died January 30, 1873; his wife survived him until December 21, 1888.

William A. Sloan was born in Pine township, Allegheny county, June 22, 1839, and is the eldest son of James and Isabella Sloan. He was reared and educated in his native township, and September 25, 1861, he enlisted in Company C, Seventy-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and participated in the battles of Perrysville, Nashville, Tullahoma, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta, and Stoneboro. He was then discharged from the service, his term of enlistment having expired, and returned to his home. He is a Republican, in politics, and is a justice of the peace and school director in his township, and has also filled most of the other township offices. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and fills the office of elder in that organization.

James R. Sloan, son of James and Isabella Sloan, was born in Pine township, Allegheny county, July 29, 1848. He learned the blacksmith's trade, and is now carrying on that business at Mt. Olive, Adams township. During the Civil war, he served in the One Hundred and Second Heavy Artillery. He married Anna E., a daughter of Andrew McFerron, of Allegheny county, September 25, 1892. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and is an adherent of the Republican party.

Patrick Humes was born in Tyrone county, Ireland, in 1774, grew to manhood in his native land, and immigrated to Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1804. In 1805 he married Miss Susan Martin, of Chester county, and in 1823 the family removed to a tract of land in western Pennsylvania, one of seven tracts for which he had traded a horse some years before, containing in all about 1200 acres. He was the father of nine children, as follows: Ellen; Rebecca; Catherine, who married John Donaldson; Mary, who married Daniel Haines; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Samuel Hinds; William; David, and Martin, both deceased, and John. Patrick Humes died in 1858, and his widow in 1862.

William Humes, eldest son of Patrick and Susan Humes, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1822, and came with his parents to western Pennsylvania the following year. He received a limited education in the subscription school of his neighborhood, and was reared to agricultural pursuits. In November, 1853, he married Sarah, a daughter of John Piersol, of Beaver county, and is the father of five children: Jemina, wife of S. B. Irvine, of Adams township; Jemella, wife of Thomas Hays, of the same township; Mary E.; Jeanette, wife of Scott Thompson, of Middlesex township, and Joseph A. Mr. Humes is a member of the Methodist church, is a Democrat, in politics, and has been connected with the State Militia.

James Perry was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1820, and came to Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, in 1849. He was employed in teaming and contracting in that city, in which he was fairly successful, After remaining there a few years, he purchased a farm in Adams township, Butler county, upon which he has since resided. He married Miss Annie Duncan, a daughter of John Duncan, of Allegheny City, which union has been blessed by five children, as follows: Mary, wife of William Martin, of Forward township; Maxwell, deceased;

William J.; James D.; Annie J., wife of Harvey Cooper, of Middlesex township. Mr. Perry is a prominent member of the United Presbyterian church, and is also one of the influential Democrats of his township.

CHRISTIAN METZ was born in Germany, September 12, 1812, and was reared on his father's farm. He married Catherine Reps, to which union were born four children, as follows: Frederick W.; Annas; Catherine, and Christian, deceased. In 1850 Mr. Metz immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, and purchased a farm in Connoquenessing township. He died April 13, 1888; his widow died May 11, 1891. Both were members of the Lutheran church, good neighbors and worthy people. In politics, he was a Democrat.

ANNAS METZ was born in Jackson township, Butler county, April 7, 1853, and is the second child of Christian and Catherine Metz. He has always resided in this county, engaged in farming. He was married February 17, 1879, to Mary Staples, a daughter of Seth Staples, of Adams township, and has five children: Nancy E.; Amy B.; Ollie P.; Sarah C., and Mandana S. Mr. Metz is a member of the Presbyterian church, is a Democrat, in politics, and has resided in Adams township for many years.

WILLIAM HESPENHEIDE was born in Germany, in 1828, and immigrated to Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, in 1843, where he followed steamboating for two years. In 1849 he married Sophia Niemier, and the following year removed to Forest county, where he purchased a farm. Six children were born of this union, as follows: Henry F.; Mary, wife of William Black, of Ohio; William, deceased; John C.; Christopher F., and Jennie, deceased. Mr. Hespenheide died upon his farm in Butler county.

HENRY F. HESPENHEIDE, eldest son of William and Sophia Hespenheide, was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1850; received a common school education, and has been a farmer all his life. He married Mary, daughter of John Bell, of Ohio, and has six children: Jennie A.; Ella M., Sophia A.; William C.; Ralph C., and Herman H. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics he is a Republican.

CHRISTOPHER F. HESPENHEIDE, youngest son of William Hespenheide, was born in Forest county, Pennsylvania, whither his father removed from Allegheny City. He was reared on the homestead farm, and has never been engaged in any other business but farming. He was married March 25, 1891, to Jennie, daughter of James Forsythe, of Adams township. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is an adherent of the Republican party.

JOHN H. HESPENHEIDE was born in Germany, September 15, 1831, and was educated in his native land. He married Miss Dora Cattleman, and has four children: Henry W.; Frank W.; Margaret D., wife of Alvin Household, and Amelia, deceased. He came to the United States in 1845, being then but fourteen years old, and located in Allegheny City. He afterwards engaged in the wholesale liquor business in that town, which he carried on down to 1876, and then retired. He is a member of the Lutheran church, is an elder in that body, and has been president of the church council for two terms. In politics, he is a Republican.

Frank W. Hespenheide, second son of John H. and Dora Hespenheide, was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, December 9, 1858, and received a common school education. He engaged in the lumber business in his native city, and followed it for about four years, then sold out and came to Butler county, locating upon a farm in Adams township. He was married April 18, 1881, to Caroline W., daughter of William Luebbe, of Pittsburg, and has five children: Frank H.; William C.; Maggie C.; Louisa W., and John H. Mr. Hespenheide is a member of the German Lutheran church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

John Carruthers was born in Cleveland, Ohio, January 14, 1855, son of George and Jane (Dunn) Carruthers. His parents are natives of Scotland, and came to the United States about 1849, first locating at Lowell, Massachusetts, thence removing to Cleveland, Ohio. They now reside at Duke Centre, McKean county. During the Rebellion his father served eighteen months as a member of the Sixth Ohio Cavalry. The subject of this sketch is the third in a family of six children, and was reared in Cleveland and Ravenna, Ohio, and at Meadville, Warren, and other portions of Pennsylvania. He received a public school education, learned the machinists' trade, and has since been engaged in that business. In 1884 he established a business in the Bradford oil field, as a member of the firm of Carruthers & Wathey, which was dissolved in 1890. He then located at Harmony, where he entered into partnership with M. J. Peters, in the oil well supply business. The firm of Carruthers & Peters carried on business until January 23, 1892, when they sold out to the Oil Well Supply Company, and Mr. Carruthers was appointed superintendent of the Harmony plant. Carruthers & Peters, were among the early oil operators in the Harmony and Zelienople field, are the owners of the Harmony Oil Company, and are connected with Dale, Hovis & Company. In November, 1893, the manufacturing firm of Carruthers, Peters & Company, of Callery, was organized, and have since carried on business at that place. Mr. Carruthers was married in 1880, to Laura J., daughter of Henry Wathey, of Bradford. He is a Republican, in politics, and is a member of the Masonic order, also of the Knights of the Maccabees.

M. J. Peters, of Carruthers, Peters & Company, of Callery, was born September 19, 1858, at Stillwater, Saratoga county, New York, a son of Thomas D. and Fannie (Morse) Peters. His parents removed to Venango county, Pennsylvania, during the early oil excitement, and our subject attended the public schools at different points where the family was located. In 1883 he went to Randolph Institute, New York, for one term, which completed his education. In 1874 Mr. Peters entered the employ of John T. Shirley, of Karns City, Butler county, as book-keeper, and in 1876 he accepted a position as entry clerk with Buehler, Bonbright & Company, of Philadelphia, with whom he remained two years. He next became manager of the mercantile house of Mrs. Staples, of Franklin, Pennsylvania. In 1880 he engaged with the Oil Well Supply Company, and was stationed at Bradford, Pennsylvania, until 1890. He next became a member of the firm of Carruthers & Peters, of Harmony, Butler county, who sold their business to the Oil Well Supply Company, January 23, 1892. One of the terms of sale was that Mr. Peters should remain with them as manager of the plant for one year, which position he filled for that period. He is joint

owner with Mr. Carruthers of the Harmony Oil Company, is a member of the firm of Dale, Hovis & Company, and is largely interested in the Ohio oil field. In October, 1894, Mr. Peters was married to Miss Eliza Courtright, of Honesdale, Wayne county, Pennsylvania. In politics, he is a Republican, and is a member of the Golden Chain and other secret societies. On November 20, 1893, he became a member of the firm of Carruthers, Peters & Company, who have since carried on business at Callery. He is a thorough business man, and has been quite successful in the different undertakings in which he has been engaged.

Dr. Thomas C. Wallace, son of William Wallace, was born at Glade Mills, Middlesex township, Butler county, in 1838. He was reared upon the farm, obtained a common school education, and afterwards attended Duff's Commercial College, at Pittsburg. He subsequently commenced the study of medicine, and attended lectures at the Homeopathic Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio. He practiced at Rochester, Pennsylvania, for three years, thence removed to Allegheny, where he has been in continuous practice for the past twenty-five years. In 1862 Dr. Wallace married Elizabeth Hamilton, a daughter of William Hamilton, of Forward township, to which union were born the following children: William H.; Edwin S., United States Consul at Jerusalem; Frank M.; Thomas C. J.; Charles F.; John H., deceased, and Grace H. Dr. Wallace is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

William H. Wallace, physician and surgeon, was born in the borough of Butler, May 10, 1863, eldest child of Dr. Thomas C. Wallace. After receiving a common school education, he attended Western University, at Allegheny, and later the Polytechnic Institute of the same city. In the meantime he had commenced to read medicine with his father, and attended lectures at the Cleveland Medical College, from which institution he graduated. He practiced with his father until October, 1890, when he located at Callery, where he has since been engaged in the duties of his profession. Dr Wallace was married February 12, 1889, to Rachel Donnell, a daughter of James Donnell, of Allegheny. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Democrat. He is connected with the K. O. T. M., and the Jr. O. U. A. M.

Matthew Graham, Sr., was born in Scotland, came to America when a young man and located in Philadelphia, where he followed the shoemaker's trade. After coming to Philadelphia he married a native of London, England, and later located on a tract of 200 acres of land which he purchased, on the Monongahela river, where the City of McKeesport now stands. The family were the first settlers at that point, and many times were driven into Pittsburg by hostile Indians. Matthew Graham died in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1786, while returning home from Philadelphia. He was the father of two sons, both born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, viz.: Matthew, born March 22, 1780, and William, born January 27, 1783. After the death of the father, the family continued to reside upon their land in Allegheny county until 1795, when they were dispossessed by reason of a defective title, by a Mr. McKee, after whom the city was named. In 1796 the two sons, Matthew and William, came to Butler county, and entered a tract of 400 acres of government land in what is now Cranberry township, and began clearing and improving the

same. They erected a log cabin thereon, and in the spring of 1797 their mother joined them in their new home. She had married John Long, who accompanied her, and died soon after coming to Cranberry township. She resided here until her death, in 1817.

Matthew Graham, Jr., married Mary Freeman, December 17, 1801. She was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1783, and became the mother of the following children: Hetty, born March 9, 1804, married John Vandivort, and died November 4, 1849; Ann, born December 29, 1806, married John Kelly, and is now deceased; William, deceased, born May 7, 1809; Harvey, born March 2, 1813, died in infancy; Mary, deceased, born November 29, 1815, married John Love, and later W. M. Meredith; James H., deceased, born January 22, 1819; Thomas, born September 17, 1821; Matthew, born September 2, 1824, and Samuel, born July 27, 1827. The three last mentioned are residents of Cranberry township. In 1813 Mr. Graham built a tavern on the Pittsburg and Harmony road, known as the Black Bear, and this he conducted for many years. It became a famous stopping place and general headquarters for the pioneers of that locality, who would gather about the huge fire-place and relate many a thrilling tale of adventure. Matthew Graham was a successful man and became the owner of over 1,000 acres of land in Cranberry township. In 1831 he erected on Bear run, on land owned by himself, the first saw mill in the township, and in 1833 he erected on Brush creek, the first grist mill in the township. The decaying remains of these mills may still be seen near the residence of Samuel Graham. He died November 3, 1858; his widow survived until June 10, 1866. Mr. Graham was an energetic, generous, and public-spirited man, and took a prominent part in the development of this county. He was especially active in the introduction of the public school system into Cranberry township. He was a member of the Plains Presbyterian church, and one of its most liberal supporters. In early life a Whig, he afterwards became a Republican, wielded a strong influence in the local councils of his party, and filled various township offices.

Samuel Graham, youngest son of Matthew and Mary (Freeman) Graham, was born on the homestead in Cranberry township, July 27, 1827. He grew to maturity beneath the parental roof, and received his education in the primitive log school house of pioneer days. He was married October 7, 1856, to Matilda Duncan, eldest daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Caldwell) Duncan. She was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, February 28, 1832. They settled on their present farm on Brush creek, where they have ever since resided. They are the parents of three children, as follows. Charles W., born July 30, 1857, died May 16, 1883; Findley, a resident of San Francisco, born March 29, 1859, and Carrie E., born October 18, 1871, married William J. Leonberg, and has three children: Mabel M., Gladys, and Charles. Mr. and Mrs. Graham are members of Plains Presbyterian church. He is an ardent Republican, and is one of the progressive and public-spirited farmers of the township.

James H. Graham, Sr., son of Matthew and Mary (Freeman) Graham, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, January 22, 1819, and spent his entire life in this county. He was married January 2, 1845, to Elizabeth Oakley, born in Beaver county, August 17, 1825, and a daughter of Jesse R. and Nancy

(Steele) Oakley, natives of Connecticut and Beaver county, respectively. They became the parents of six children: Mary, born April 6, 1846, wife of Beriah Duncan, of Connoquenessing township; Albert G., born May 7, 1848; John Newton, born March 26, 1850; Sarah M., deceased, born November 9, 1852; Herman Westley, born July 22, 1858, and Lizzie Maude, born May 28, 1867, wife of Frank P. Carroll. Mr. Graham died December 2, 1880; his widow survives him. He was a Republican, in politics, and filled many of the township offices during his vigorous manhood.

Albert G. Graham, eldest son of James H. and Elizabeth Graham, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, May 7, 1848. He received a common school education, and was reared to farm life. On March 30, 1870, he married Savilla, a daughter of Daniel and Ruth Emerick, of Cranberry township, and located upon his present farm of 210 acres. It is one of the best improved places in the neighborhood, possessing good buildings and other valuable improvements. Three children have been born to this union, as follows: Clifford, born May 30, 1871; Beryl, born February 2, 1875, and Harvey A., born December 13, 1884. Mr. Graham is a Republican, has held various township offices, and is one of the enterprising farmers of the township. Both he and wife are members of Dutillh Methodist Episcopal church.

John Newton Graham is a son of James H. and Elizabeth (Oakley) Graham, and was born on the homestead farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, March 26, 1850. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-five years of age, assisting them in the duties of the farm. In June, 1875, he was united in marriage with Margaret, a daughter of Andrew and Catherine Keck, who are now residing in Livingston county, Illinois. Soon after their marriage the young couple located on their present farm, where Mr. Graham had previously erected a home. This farm was comparatively unimproved, but he has erected substantial buildings upon it and brought it under a high state of cultivation. Seven children have heen born of his marriage to Margaret Keck, as follows: Harry G.; William Howard; Viola A.; Chester Earle; John Floyd; Homer Ezra, and Clare Newton. Mr. Graham and wife are members of Oak Grove church. Politically, Mr. Graham has always been an advocate of the principles and measures of the Republican party, and has served as a member of the school board in Cranberry township.

William Graham was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1783, and was the youngest son of Matthew Graham, Sr. He came with his brother to what is now Cranberry township, Butler county, in 1796, and assisted in clearing up a homestead in this township. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and one of the well known pioneers of the county. He married Susan McDonald, who was born in Bedford county, but resided in Mercer county at the time of their marriage. She bore him a family of eleven children, as follows: William; David, and John, all of whom are dead; Oliver H. P., of Cranberry township; Eliza, deceased wife of Jacob Hartzell; Susan, deceased wife of Dr. Thomas Stewart; Joseph, a resident of Iowa; Samuel, deceased; Minerva, deceased wife of J. M. McKee; James H., of Penn township, and Harvey, who resides in Colorado. Mrs. Graham died in 1831. In 1856 Mr. Graham removed

to Bedford county, Pennsylvania, where his son, James H., was then living, and died in that county in 1861. He was an elder in Plains Presbyterian church for many years, and in politics, was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican.

Oliver H. P. Graham is one of the oldest residents of Cranberry township, where he was born May 5, 1814, fourth son of William and Susan (McDonald) Graham, and the oldest survivor of the family. He spent his boyhood days upon his father's farm, and his educational advantages were limited to such as were afforded by the pioneer schools, with the additional instruction of his father, who was one of the early teachers of Butler county. Mr. Graham married Elizabeth Morgan, a native of Beaver county, Pennsylvania, to which union were born eight children: Ethalinda, who resides in Colorado; Orin Palmer, of Cranberry township; Hermas, who died at the age of eighteen; Sabina, deceased; Angie, a resident of Colorado; Robert E., who lives in Beaver county; Leander S., deceased, and O. H. P., Jr., who resides at Brownsville, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Graham died in 1858, aged thirty-eight years. Her husband is one of the oldest living residents of Cranberry township, where he has resided eighty-one years. He was originally a Whig, but has been a Republican since the formation of that party. He makes his home with his son Orin P., and is widely respected and esteemed.

Orin Palmer Graham, second child of Oliver H. P. and Elizabeth Graham, was born July 8, 1842, in Cranberry township, and grew to maturity beneath the parental roof. On January 28, 1869, he married Miss Mary Ann Allan, a native of Cranberry township, and a daughter of Nicol Allan. To this union have been born seven children, as follows: Janet, who died at the age of nineteen; Allan; Howard K., who died in childhood; Park F.; Franklin F.; Mary V., and Stanley P. Mr. and Mrs. Graham are members of the Plains Presbyterian church, in which he fills the office of elder. Politically, he is a Republican, has filled the various township offices, and is one of the most useful and enterprising citizens of his native township.

John Vandivort was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, and was the eldest in the family of Paul Vandivort, who came from eastern Pennsylvania with his wife about 1796, and settled on a tract of government land in this township. He spent the remainder of his days here, and reared a large family. John grew to maturity on the homestead farm and married Hetty Graham, of Cranberry township. She became the mother of eight children, as follows: William, of Allegheny county; James, who resides in Tennessee; Freeman, of Cranberry township; Mary J., wife of Thomas Whipple; Cyrus, who enlisted in the Rebellion and died in the service; Susan, deceased; Eliza A., wife of William Amshutz, and Martha, wife of Harry Bausman. Mrs. Vandivort died, and her husband was subsequently married to Jane Hutchison, who bore him four sons: John; Thomas; Leland, and Robert. Mr. Vandivort operated the first saw mill in the neighborhood, and carried it on for many years. He was a celebrated marksman, and took great pleasure in attending shooting matches, where he often won the prize.

Freeman Vandivort, third son of John and Hetty (Graham) Vandivort, was born in Cranberry township, July 3, 1832. He grew to maturity in

his native township, and on December 24, 1857, he married Margaret Deemer, a daughter of John and Fannie Deemer, early settlers of Cranberry, to which union ten children were born, six of whom are now living, as follows: John C.; Alfred E.; Mrs. Fannie E. Landis; Annie J., wife of Joseph Davis; William F., and Clyde D. Following their marriage Mr. Vandivort purchased a small farm, where he began his married life. He afterwards erected a saw mill, which he operated for twenty years, and kept adding to his farm until he now owns 140 acres of good land. He has been the architect of his own fortune, beginning at the bottom round of the ladder. Politically, he is an adherent of the Democratic party, and both he and wife are members of the Plains Presbyterian church.

David Garvin, Sr., a native of Rockingham county, Virginia, with his wife, who was a Miss McFarland of the same State, came to Butler county in 1800, and located upon a tract of 400 acres of government land in what is now Cranberry township. They were among the first settlers, and with the fortitude of the pioneers set about clearing and improving their purchase. Wild animals roamed at will through the unbroken forest, and eyed with suspicion and distrust this encroachment upon their domain by the sturdy white settlers who had braved the dangers of life in a new country to carve out for themselves and family a home. They were the parents of the following children: Elizabeth; Alexander; John; Nancy; David; James; William; Benjamin; Jefferson, and Margaret. Mr. Garvin opened a tavern at his farm soon after settlement, and conducted it for several years. He and his wife passed the remainder of their days in Cranberry township, and bequeathed to their descendants the heritage of an honest name.

Alexander Garvin came from Rockingham county, Virginia, in 1800, and settled on a tract of government land in Cranberry township, Butler county, containing 400 acres. He was the eldest son of David Garvin, Sr. With him came his wife and family, and the trip to the new country was made by wagon. He resided in Cranberry township the balance of his days, and after death his widow married a Mr. Bowman and died in Mercer county.

James Wallace Garvin, son of Alexander Garvin, was born in Rockingham county, Virgina, October 1, 1796, and was only four years old when his parents settled in Butler county. His boyhood days were spent in Cranberry township, surrounded by the dangers and trials of pioneer life. He was taken into the home of a Mr. Wallace, who had come from Virginia with the Garvins. Mr. Wallace took a strong fancy to the boy, and adopted him as a member of his own family. James resided in the Wallace home until he attained his manhood. He was schooled in the pioneer period, and enjoyed the chase through the primitive forest. He became a fine rifle shot, and was known as one of the best hunters in that locality. Often when going to work in the clearing, he would take his trusty rifle along, and would bring back with him enough game to keep the family in meat for several days. Mr. Garvin was married October 12, 1823, to Nancy Wilson. She was born in Jackson township, near Evans City, and was a daughter of Andrew and Polly Wilson, natives of Ireland and early settlers of Jackson township. She bore him the following children: William, of Cranberry township; Margaret, wife of Ross Boyle, a resident of Ogle county, Illinois; Wilson,

of Cranberry township; Benjamin, who resides at Bloomington, Illinois; Elizabeth, deceased wife of James Forsythe; Nancy, deceased wife of Hiram Covert, and Andrew H., who enlisted in 1861 and died in the service. Mrs. Garvin died in November, 1842, and was interred in the Plains church cemetery. In 1844 Mr. Garvin married Mrs. Isabella Wilson, a daughter of John Waldron, of Forward township, and this union was blessed by two children: John B., deceased, and Isabella, wife of Moses Johnston, of Cranberry township. Mr. Garvin died February 12, 1872, and his widow in August, 1891. He resided in Cranberry township down to his death, and was a leading citizen of the community. He served in the various township offices for many years, was an elder in the Plains Presbyterian church, a conscientious christian, and an earnest worker in the cause, taking an active and leading part in church work. He was universally respected and esteemed by his old friends and neighbors, and his descendants are among the leading people of the county.

Wilson Garvin, second son of James Wallace and Nancy (Wilson) Garvin, was born on his father's farm in Cranberry township, April 17, 1829. He grew up on a farm assisting at the home duties, wearing his home-made clothing, and attending the little district school a few weeks during the winter season. The little log school house was furnished with rude benches, and an old fashioned fireplace, which characterized all of the pioneer school buildings. He remained at home until twenty-two years of age and spent the next two years as a teamster in Allegheny county. In the fall of 1854 he went to Iowa, remaining a few days in Chicago, then a comparatively small place. He resided in the west until 1859, when he started with a party of prospectors for Pike's Peak, but changing their destination he went to California. While crossing the plains the alkali nearly destroyed his eyesight, from which he has never fully recovered. In December, 1859, he returned to Butler county, where he has since resided. On March 19, 1863, he married Elizabeth Boggs, born in what is now Jackson township, January 27, 1837, a daughter of Robert and Mary Jane Boggs, pioneers of Butler county. Mr. Garvin and wife located on the farm where they now reside, in Cranberry township. Nine children have been the fruits of this union, seven of whom are living, as follows: Robert W.; Mary A., wife of Robert Roll, of Cranberry township; Marian G.; Emma L.; Harry G.; Russell B., and Lizzie A. Mr. Garvin is a Republican, in politics, and both he and wife are members of Plains Presbyterian church.

David Garvin, son of Alexander Garvin and grandson of David Garvin, came from Rockingham county, Virginia, with his parents, to Butler county, when twelve years of age, and grew to manhood in Cranberry township. He married Permelia Mallison, a native of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. They resided on the homestead in Cranberry township, where he conducted the hotel established by his grandfather. To David and Permelia Garvin were born nine children, as follows: Eliza, wife of Jesse Plankington, of Allegheny county; Emmeline, wife of John Hall, of Kansas City, Missouri; Amy, wife of William Bastian, of Zelienople; Permelia, deceased wife of James Hall; Benjamin, of Evans City; Joshua, deceased; Newton, of Cranberry township; David, and Milton. Mr. Garvin and wife died upon the homestead in Cranberry township.

Benjamin Garvin, eldest son of David and Permelia (Mallison) Garvin, was born upon the Garvin homestead in Cranberry township, in November, 1827. He grew to maturity amidst the dangers and privations of pioneer times, and attended the little log school house of his neighborhood for a few weeks during the winter season. He married Ellen Vandivort, a daughter of William and Nancy Vandivort, of Cranberry township, and settled upon a part of the homestead farm. They resided there until 1889, and then retired to Evans City, where they are spending the remaining years of their lives in the enjoyment of the comforts which the fruits of their early industry provide. They are the parents of the following children: Permelia, wife of Oliver Stoughton, of Prospect; Amy, deceased; Nancy, wife of Edward Lutz, of Evans City; David, deceased; Milton, and Brady, both residents of Evans City, and Frankie, wife of Henry Meeder, of Zelienople. Mr. and Mrs. Garvin are members of the Presbyterian church and are generous supporters of that denomination. In politics, he was originally an old-line Whig, but since the formation of the Republican party he has been one of its stanch adherents.

Newton Garvin, one of the well known farmers and oil producers of Cranberry township, is the youngest living son of David and Permelia (Mallison) Garvin. He was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, May 8, 1831, there grew to maturity, and married Margaret Nicholas, a native of Butler county. To this union have been born seven children, as follows: William B., deceased; Mary, wife of Jacob Palmer, of Beaver county; Allie, wife of William Croft, of Cranberry township; Lewis, who resides with his parents; Maggie, wife of Baxter Ramsey, of Cranberry township; Permelia, wife of Henry Leonberg, of the same township, and Charles, who lives at home. Mr. Garvin and wife are consistent members of Plains Presbyterian church, in which organization he fills the office of elder. He owns 300 acres of land in Cranberry township, upon which are numerous oil wells, and he is recognized as one of the leading, enterprising and prosperous citizens of the community.

William Garvin, Sr., was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, a son of Alexander Garvin. He grew to manhood in his native township, and married Martha Jane Rowan, a native of Butler county. They located in Cranberry township, upon the farm now occupied by their son Benjamin W., where they resided for many years. Seven children were born to them, four of whom are now living, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of John Walters, of Jackson township; Benjamin W.; Ann, wife of John Leonberg, and William, of Ogle. Mr. Garvin held the positions of supervisor, collector and school director for many years, and was one of the respected citizens of his community. Some years after the death of his first wife, he married Hannah Spencer, and later removed to Allegheny City, where he resided until his death, in 1873. One child, Samuel C., was born to his second marriage, who is now a resident of Allegheny.

Benjamin W. Garvin, eldest son of William and Martha Jane (Rowan) Garvin, was born upon his present homestead in Cranberry township, November 10, 1835, and was reared a farmer. Being the eldest in the family, much of the labors on the farm fell to his lot, and he was therefore deprived of the advantages of an education. In 1857 he married Ellen P., a daughter of William and Mar-

garet (Bryan) Wilson, of Westmoreland county, to which union have been born six children, as follows: Emila A., wife of Archie Bryan, of Franklin township; William H., deceased; Elmer Lynn; Jane, wife of Herman Maser; Hannah Margaret, and Elizabeth A., both of whom are dead. Politically, Mr. Garvin is a stanch Republican, and has served as school director in his district. He and wife are members of Plains Presbyterian church, and are generous contributors towards that organization. He is the owner of 130 acres of highly improved land, containing several oil wells, and has recently erected one of the most substantial residences in this section of the county.

William Garvin, merchant and postmaster at Ogle, is a son of William and Martha Jane (Rowan) Garvin and was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, in 1842. He was educated in the public schools of his district and was reared a farmer. In 1862 he enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under the command of Capt. Cyrus E. Anderson. His company was mustered into the service at Harrisburg, was attached to the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the engagements at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, etc. He followed his regiment through the varying vicissitudes of war, and at the expiration of his term of enlistment he returned to his home in Butler county. In 1865 Mr. Garvin was united in marriage with Miss Catherine McClain, a native of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, which union has been blessed by five children. Mr. Garvin began his married life on a rented farm in Cranberry township, which he subsequently purchased and has since resided upon. He is a successful farmer, and for the past twenty years has also conducted a mercantile business at Ogle, and is now serving his second term as postmaster of that office. He is a Republican, takes an active part in the political affairs of his township and county, and has served in the various township offices with credit to himself and satisfaction to the people. Mrs. Garvin is a member of the Dutillh Methodist Episcopal church.

Morris Covert was the progenitor of the Covert family in Butler county. The Coverts came originally from Holland, and settled in eastern Pennsylvania, where Morris was born in 1776. He married there, and one child was born east of the mountains. About 1800 Morris Covert and family came to western Pennsylvania, and located on a farm ten miles north of Allegheny City. They subsequently removed to Butler county, and settled in what is now Jackson township, not far from the site of Evans City. He became an extensive land owner and quite prominent among the pioneers of that locality. Mr. Covert served in the War of 1812, and resided in Jackson township until his death, January 13, 1839. His widow survived until April 3, 1841. They were the parents of quite a large family, and were members of the Plains Presbyterian church, in which body he served as elder.

John Covert was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 15, 1801, and was a son of Morris and Anna Covert. He came with his parents to Butler county, and grew to maturity on the homestead in Jackson township. In 1827 he married Margaret, a daughter of Isaac and Rachel Covert. She was a native of Butler county, born January 15, 1806. Immediately following their marriage, they settled upon the farm where their son, John Milton, now lives,

which he received from his father. They began life in a log cabin, surrounded on every side by an almost unbroken forest. John Covert was a man of more than ordinary attainments for those days, and was a prominent member of the Plains Presbyterian church. He died January 19, 1881, at the advanced age of eighty years. His wife died January 5, 1870. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom grew to maturity: Hiram H., deceased; George W., who died in childhood; Isaac N., a resident of Illinois; William Henry, who lives in Allegheny; Emma, deceased; George W., of Adams township; John Milton, of Cranberry township, and Margaret Julia, who died in infancy.

John Milton Covert, youngest son of John and Margaret Covert, was born June 5, 1845, upon his present homestead in Cranberry township. He resided with his parents until he arrived at manhood, and received a common school education. Being the youngest in the family, he remained at home looking after the duties of the farm and assisting his father in cultivating the same. On February 20, 1871, he married Ida A., daughter of William and Emma Nesbit, early settlers of Cranberry township, and is the father of four children, as follows: Charles M.; Eva M.; Audley M., and Leola Marie. Mr. Covert and wife are members of Plains Presbyterian church, and he is an elder in that organization. In politics, he is a Republican, and takes quite an interest in political matters.

William Henry Goehring, a native of Alsace, Germany, born about 1750, was one of the early settlers of Butler county, Pennsylvania, where he located about 1801. He purchased 200 acres of land, in what is now Cranberry township, which he cleared and improved, and resided thereon down to his death, in 1831. He married in his native land, Catherine Baer, by whom he had the following children; William, who died in Pittsburg, aged ninety-seven years; Adam, who died in Cranberry township; Charles; Christian, who died upon the homestead; Rebecca, who married John Roseboro; Fredericka, who married Christian Buhl; Barbara, who died unmarried; Catherine, who became the wife of John Stamm; Magdalena, who married Jacob Woster, and Charlotte, who married Francis Burkhart. Mr. Goehring was one of the original members of the Lutheran church of Zelienople. Before immigrating to this country, he was a teacher in the public schools of Germany, and was a man of very good education.

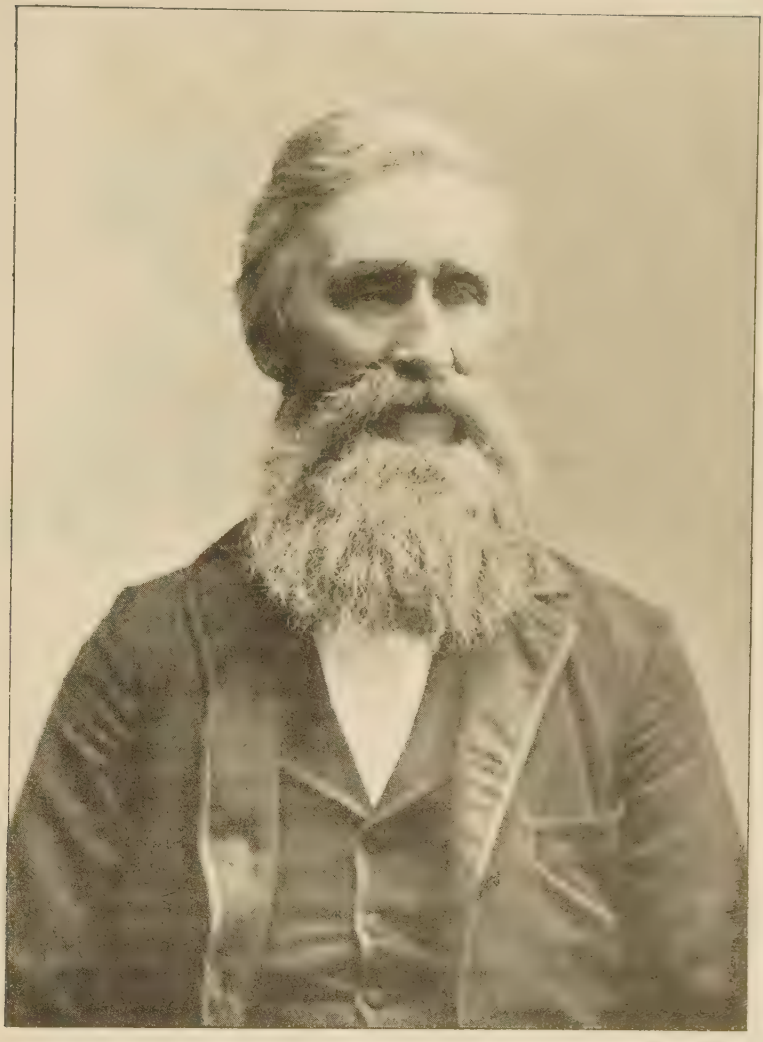
Charles Goehring, third son of William Henry Goehring, was born near the City of Strasburg, Germany, in 1782, and came with his parents to Butler county. He purchased a farm adjoining his father's, in Cranberry township, consisting of 200 acres, and, subsequently, was the owner of about 750 acres of farm lands in Cranberry, Muddy Creek and Worth townships, and was one of the most extensive farmers of his time. His death occurred in Cranberry township, April 25, 1857, dying upon the farm which he first settled. Mr. Goehring was twice married, his first wife being Margaret Firestone, who bore him one daughter, Margaret, who married Elias Seaman, after whose death she became the wife of George Giess, and now resides at Zelienople. His second wife was Elizabeth, daughter of George Hartzell, who survived him many years, and died in 1875. To this union were born the following children: Henry, and George,

both deceased; Catherine, who married Charles Bonzo; Caroline, wife of George Ranscher; Eliza, who married Adam Pfeifer; Charles, deceased; Charlotte, wife of Theophilus Fombell; William; Lewis; John; Elias, and Gellert. Mr. Goehring was first a Whig, and later a Republican. In religion, he was a Lutheran, and filled the office of elder in that church for many years.

WILLIAM GOEHRING, oldest living son of Charles and Elizabeth Goehring, was born upon the homestead in Cranberry township, and received a common school education. At the age of twenty-one he settled in Worth township, upon a tract of land belonging to his father, cleared and improved it, and lived there for six years. He then purchased his present farm of 150 acres in Forward township, which he has since cleared and improved. Mr. Goehring married Sarah, daughter of Christian Rape, of Cranberry township, to which union have been born eleven children, as follows; John C.; Gellert; Matilda, wife of A. H. Behm; Sarah, wife of John Endres; Sophia, wife of John Millerman; Nettie, wife of Christopher Marburger; Ella, wife of Martin Spithaler; Christina, wife of Henry W. Lotz; Susan, wife of William Lotz; Charles R., and Abbie. In politics, Mr. Goehring is a Republican. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church of Evans City, in which body he has filled the offices of elder and trustee.

HENRY GOEHRING, eldest son of Charles and Elizabeth Goehring, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, in July, 1818. After reaching his majority he removed to New Sewickly township, Beaver county, where he purchased a farm of 306 acres, upon which he resided down to his death. He was a very extensive farmer, owned 1,100 acres of land and at his death left to each of his children a farm of 100 acres. He was president of the Harmony Savings Bank, one of the directors of the Rochester Insurance Company, also of the Spar Savings Bank, of Rochester, and a stockholder in the Pittsburg Savings Bank. He was an extensive dealer in stock, and bought and sold cattle for the Pittsburg market. He took an active interest in all public affairs, was one of the directors of the poor farm for twelve years, and one of the leading Republicans of his community. He married Sophia, daughter of Jacob Hartung, of New Sewickly township, Beaver county. Their children are as follows: Jacob B.; Elizabeth, wife of Joseph B. Ziegler; Charles F.; Lucinda, wife of Casper Knauff; Amelia, wife of Abraham Wise; Zeno; Rosina, wife of L. D. Bruener, and Barbara, who died in youth. Mrs. Goehring resides with her daughter Mrs. J. B. Ziegler, in Beaver county. Her husband died in August, 1884, and was buried in the Zelienople cemetery. He was a life-long member of the Lutheran church, and for many years was connected with the Zelienople congregation.

CHARLES F. GOEHRING, second son of Henry Goehring, was born January 13, 1847, upon the homestead in Beaver county. After reaching his majority he received 100 acres of land from his father, upon which he settled. He resided on this farm down to 1884, then removed to Zelienople, built his present residence, and engaged in the coal business, which he followed for three years. He next established his present business of dealing in flagging and cut stone. Since becoming a resident of Zelienople, he has built five private residences in that bor-



Kirtland Garrow

ough. Mr. Goehring was married in 1870, to Henrietta, daughter of George Giess, and has one son, Frank S. He is a Republican, in politics, is a member of the borough council, and also holds the office of treasurer and street commissioner. For the past fourteen years he has been an elder in the Lutheran church of Zelienople.

George Goehring, son of Charles and Elizabeth Goehring, was born on the homestead farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, and here grew to manhood. He married Catherine May, a native of Germany, who came to Butler county with her parents. They located on a farm on the Franklin road, and died in Cranberry township. Mr. Goehring and wife were the parents of five children, as follows: Joseph, of Cranberry township; Charlotte, wife of Henry Leidabach; Louis, who died in 1892; Louisa, deceased, and Sydnia, of Cranberrry township. Mr. Goehring died in 1860. His widow makes her home with her son Joseph, and is now seventy years of age.

Joseph Goehring was born November 28, 1842, and is the eldest son of George and Catherine Goehring. His youth was spent on the homestead farm, and his schooling was obtained by a few weeks attendance during the winter season at the district log school house. Upon the death of his father he continued to carry on the farm, and assisted his mother in rearing the family. In 1864 he married Mrs. Catherine Deemer, a native of Germany, and a daughter of Jacob and Eva Catherine Wagner. She came to the United States with her parents in early childhood. They settled in Allegheny county, thence removed to Beaver county, where her mother died in January, 1867. Her father is still living at the age of eighty-six years. By her first marriage to Andrew Deemer, she was the mother of four children: Amelia, deceased; Mrs. Matilda Kirchner; Mrs. Catherine Yerger, and Mrs. Hannah Kirchner. After his marriage Mr. Goehring settled on Brush creek, resided there until 1884, and then located on his present farm, which contains 100 acres of well improved land, and substantial buildings, all of which he has erected. They are the parents of three children, as follows: Charles Lewis, of Cranberry township; Annie M., deceased, and Amy Virginia. Mr. Goehring is a Democrat, is a member of the school board in his township, and is well known as an oil producer and practical farmer.

Elias Goehring, son of Charles and Elizabeth Goehring, was born upon the homestead farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. After he grew to manhood he settled in Jackson township, subsequently removed to Adams township, and lived there for five years. About 1869 he purchased a farm of 200 acres in Forward township, where his sons, Harvey and Edwin E., now reside. Here he was engaged in farming until 1893, when he purchased a farm near New Brighton, Beaver county, where he now resides. He married Sophia, daughter of Michael Mickley, of Jackson township, and eleven children were born to this union: Edwin E., of Forward township; Alfred, of Cranberry; Hugh, of Jackson; Levi, a resident of Beaver county; Harvey, of Forward township; Emma, wife of William Rader; Minerva, wife of George Burr; Tillie, wife of William Fehl; Theodore, of Beaver county; Elmer, and Bertie.

Edwin E. Goehring, eldest son of Elias Goehring, was born May 20, 1858, in Jackson township, Butler county, and was reared and educated in his native county. In 1883 he embarked in farming for himself in Jackson township, and later in Connoquenessing, but in 1885 he returned to the homestead farm in Forward township, and purchased eighty acres of the same, upon which he has erected substantial improvements. He is also engaged in oil producing, and is the owner of several good wells. Mr. Goehring was married, March 1, 1883, to Caroline, daughter of Peter Staaf, of Connoquenessing township. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a deacon and trustee in the Reformed church.

Harvey Goehring, fifth son of Elias Goehring, was born in Adams township, Butler county, October 8, 1865, and has been reared a farmer. In 1889 he purchased the residence and one-half of the homestead farm in Forward township, which he has since cultivated successfully. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of overseer of the poor and township assessor. He is a member of the Reformed church, and is one of the trustees in the Evans City congregation. Mr. Goehring is one of the progressive young farmers of Foward township, and enjoys the confidence of his neighbors.

Gellert Goehring, youngest son of Charles and Elizabeth Goehring, was born upon the homestead farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, January 30, 1839. He grew to maturity under the parental roof, and received a good common school education. On June 20, 1861, he married Catherine Knauff, daughter of Michael Knauff, of Jackson township, where she was born in 1841. Immediately after marriage they settled on a part of his father's farm, and he is now the owner of 126 acres there, and of seventy-one acres near Ogle. Mr. Goehring followed stock-droving for twelve years. They are the parents of eleven children, as follows: Maria, wife of Frank Mohr; David, deceased; Lovina, wife of Henry Rape; Malinda, wife of Daniel Rape; Albert; Andrew; Lewis, and Ida, the last three of whom are dead; Ella; Henry, and Amos. Mr. Goehring is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director and supervisor. Both he and wife are members of the German Protestant church, of Zelienople.

James Rowan was born in Delaware county, Pennsylvania, June 3, 1792, and was a son of James Rowan, a native of Ireland, who immigrated to America prior to the Revolution and settled near Philadelphia, where he purchased a tract of land and engaged in farming. His mother was Rebecca (Thompson) Rowan, also a native of Ireland, who had two children: Martha and James. The parents died in Delaware county. The subject of this sketch grew to manhood near Philadelphia, and married Mary Boyd, a native of Wilmington, Delaware. They located upon the homestead place, which became his property on the death of his father, his mother coming to Butler county and making her home with him until her death. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at Plains Presbyterian church. In 1825 James Rowan, with his family, consisting of his wife and two children, and his mother, came to Butler county and settled on a tract of land in Cranberry township, for which he had exchanged the old homestead near Philadelphia. He was among the early settlers of his section, the township at that time being very sparsely settled. Mr. Rowan was a Pres-

byterian, in religious faith, and in politics, he was a stanch Democrat. He died in April, 1845. His widow survived until 1881, dying at the age of nearly eighty-eight years. They were the parents of eleven children, as follows: John, of Cranberry township; William T., and one unnamed, both of whom died in infancy; Matthew B., of Penn township; James, a resident of Missouri; William T., who resides in Illinois; Rebecca A.; Martha J., and Marietta, the last three of whom are dead; Harriet N., and Margaret, both residents of Evans City.

John Rowan, one of the oldest living residents of Cranberry township, was born in Delaware county, Pennsylvania, January 15, 1820, and is the eldest in a family of James and Mary (Boyd) Rowan. He was a child of only five years of age when his parents located in Butler county, and he was reared amidst the trials and privations of pioneer days. In the obstacles overcome and bravely surmounted was laid the foundation for the resolute determination and sterling qualities which have characterized his after life. On February 22, 1849, he married Margaret Dixon, a daughter of 'Squire William Dixon, and located upon the farm in Cranberry township where he has since resided. He was by trade a carpenter, and has erected many of the buildings in Cranberry township. Politically, Democratic, he has filled the office of justice of the peace and various other minor positions, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. Five children are the fruits of his union with Margaret Dixon, daughter of 'Squire William Dixon, as follows: Mary Ellen, wife of Alfred Shanks, of Franklin township, Allegheny county; William D., professor of commercial law at Park Institute, Allegheny county; an unnamed son, who died in infancy; Isabella, wife of J. G. Vaughn, and James M., who died in 1891, at the age of twenty-eight years. Mr. Rowan and wife are members of Plains Presbyterian church, in which he has been an elder for nearly forty years. He has always been a great reader, possesses a remarkable memory, and although in his seventy-sixth year he is as hearty and active as a man of fifty. Widely known and respected, few men of the community have wielded a wider influence or shown more public enterprise for the general good than this sturdy old pioneer.

Elder Crawford, physician and surgeon, Hendersonville, is a native of Washington county, Pennsylvania, born August 1, 1846, son of Thomas and Mary Crawford, natives of the same county. When but twelve years of age his parents died, and he was taken into the home of an uncle, Dr. G. G. Atkins, then living at Knoxville, Ohio, with whom he lived until he was sixteen years of age. In 1863, when in his seventeenth year, he enlisted in Company C, Fifth Independent Ohio Cavalry, and was sent into Kentucky on scouting duty. After his term of service had expired, he re-enlisted in Company G, Thirteenth Ohio Cavalry, which belonged to the Army of the Potomac, and served some time in the Ninth Army Corps, as dismounted cavalry, under the command of General Hartranft. Dr. Crawford followed his regiment through all its marches and campaigns, and participated in the battles of White House Landing, Mine Explosion, Reams Station, and Weldon Railroad. In 1865 the regiment was re-mounted and attached to the command of General Sheridan. Then came the heavy fighting at Five Forks, and the continuous nine days' engagements until the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. On the morning of Lee's surrender Dr. Crawford was on

the skirmish line, taking part in the last engagement of the broken Confederacy. After the surrender his regiment was detached on provost duty at Weldon, North Carolina, and he was honorably discharged at City Point, Virginia, in August, 1865, after having been in continuous service from the date of his entering the army. Although he was present in many of the hardest fought battles of the war, he was never wounded, taken prisoner, or suffered any sickness. Returning to his home in Jefferson county, Ohio, he resumed his studies, having been in the Academy at Knoxville when he enlisted. In 1866 he began the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. Atkins, attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, where he was graduated, and in 1869 he located at Thorn Hill, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, where he practiced his profession for nine years. In 1878 he purchased his present residence in Cranberry township, and during the past sixteen years he has built up and now enjoys a large and lucrative practice. Dr. Crawford was married February 19, 1869, to Mattie G., a daughter of Matthew and Harriet (Glass) Hamilton, of Allegheny county, to which union have been born the following children: Chester; Minnie; Frank, now studying medicine under his father; Grace; Elder; Hope, and Nellie. Dr. Crawford and wife are members of Dutillh Methodist Episcopal church in which he is a steward and trustee. Politically, he is an ardent Republican, is a member of Wilson Post, G. A. R., of Zelienople, and is also connected with the I. O. O. F., and K. O. T. M.

Jacob Dambach, Sr., and his wife Barbara, immigrated to the United States in 1832, and located on a tract of land in Butler county, near Zelienople, in what is now Jackson township. They were natives of Alsace-Lorraine, France, and were accompanied by their family of eight children, as follows: Adam; Charles; Frederick; Christian; Catherine; Sophia; Caroline, and Magdalena, all of whom were born in Germany. The family resided in Jackson township for a few years and then removed to Cranberry township, where the parents spent the remainder of their lives. About three years after Jacob Dambach came to America, two sons, John Nickolas, and Jacob, whom they had left in Germany, came with their families and joined the Dambach settlement, and both spent their lives in this county.

John Nickolas Dambach was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, in 1801. He married Catherine Ish, and to them was born one son, Nickolas. In 1835 they immigrated to America, crossing the Atlantic in a three-masted sailing vessel, the voyage lasting forty-two days. They landed in New York, May 5, 1835, there shipped by water to Erie, and thence by wagon to Butler county. John Nickolas purchased the homestead from his father, and engaged in farming. He took the oath of allegiance and became a citizen of the United States, June 14, 1847. His wife died in 1853. He survived her until October, 1882. They were members of the German Reformed church, and lie side by side in the cemetery at Burry church.

Nickolas Dambach, only child born to John Nickolas Dambach, is a native of Alsace-Lorraine, France, born March 16, 1828. He was seven years old when his parents came to Butler county, and he grew to manhood here, assisting his father in the labors on the farm. He attended the little log dis-

trict school house for a few weeks in the winter season, and was clothed in home-made goods of the period. In 1850 he married Catherine Gross, born in Germany, in 1835, a daughter of Charles and Catherine Gross, who immigrated to Butler county in 1847, and in 1848 bought a farm in Lawrence county, where they afterwards resided. Mr. Dambach and wife resided on the homestead, his father making his home with him. In 1858 he purchased his present farm in Cranberry township, and in 1865 he erected his present commodious residence. He is the owner of 230 acres of well improved land, which is regarded as one of the best farms in the township. Three children have been born to Nickolas and Catherine Dambach, viz.: Caroline, who died in infancy; Matilda, wife of W. A. Goehring, and Charles, a resident of Freedom, Beaver county. In 1881 Mr. Dambach established a banking business at Zelienople, under the firm name of N. Dambach & Son, which was afterwards sold to Amos Lusk & Son, and is now carried on by the Gelbach Brothers. Mr. Dambach and wife are members of Oak Grove Lutheran church, and in his political affiliations, he is a stanch Republican. The family are among the most highly respected in the county, and he is recognized as an enterprising and progressive citizen.

Jacob Dambach, Jr., was the first member of the Dambach family to locate in Cranberry township, Butler county. He was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, December 12, 1804, and married Magdalena Beaver, a native of the same place, born January 9, 1806. On the 5th of May, 1835, the family landed in New York, having made the voyage in a three-masted sailing vessel in forty-two days, and for the first time breathed the air of liberty. Proceeding westward by boat and wagon, the family finally found themselves in Butler county, Pennsylvania. With a fund of $400, Mr. Dambach purchased fifty acres of land in Cranberry township, and there living in a little log cabin, surrounded by the dangers and enduring the privations incident to the times, began to make for himself and family a home in the wilderness. He afterwards added to his farm by various purchases, and hired laborers to clear the land, paying two dollars and fifty cents per acre for grubbing. In due time he erected a commodious brick residence, on what is now the F. Meeder farm, the bricks being made on the place, and the highest priced labor employed in the erection of this house was the brickmaker, who received eight dollars per month. Mr. Dambach died in 1870. He was a member of the Reformed church, and a liberal supporter of that denomination. His widow is now a resident of Evans City.

Jacob Dambach, son of Jacob and Magdalena Dambach, was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, November 2, 1828, and was in his seventh year when his parents settled in Butler county. He spent his boyhood days upon the farm, enjoying only such limited advantages as fell to the lot of the average pioneer boy. His educational advantages were confined to a few weeks' training in the little subscription school, and he taught himself how to read by studying the New Testament. In 1849 he married Elizabeth Gross, a native of Germany, who came with her parents to Lawrence county, Pennsylvania. Three children were born to this union, only one of whom is living, Edward W., of Evans City. Mrs. Dambach died in 1857, and in 1859 he married Miss Ruth Hutchinson, a native of Ireland, and daughter of Michael and Martha Hutchinson, both of

whom are dead. To this union were born three children, one of whom is living, Jacob H., born April 27, 1866. Mr. Dambach has been a very successful business man, and is the founder of the bank in Evans City, originally Jacob Dambach & Son, but now The Citizens Bank. He is largely interested in the lumber business with his son at Evans City, and is one of the substantial citizens of the community. He is a member of Oak Grove Lutheran church. Politically, he is a Republican, but takes no active interest in public affairs.

Adam Dambach, Sr., was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France, and came to the United States with his father, Jacob Dambach, Sr., when a young man, and settled in Cranberry township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He married Christina Goehring, of Beaver county, settled on a farm in Cranberry township, later moved to Connoquenessing township, and died there in 1872. His wife died in 1880. They were members of the United Presbyterian church. Eight children were born to them, five of whom are living, as follows: Sophia, wife of John R. Boyer, of Lancaster township; Adam, of Zelienople; Catherine, who resides at Petersville; William, a resident of Connoquenessing township, and Jacob, of Zelienople.

Adam Dambach was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, March 13, 1836, and is a son of Adam Dambach, Sr., and grandson of Jacob Dambach, Sr. He remained in Cranberry township until seventeen years of age, and then removed with his parents to Connoquenessing township, where he worked on his father's farm for some years. He then engaged in merchandising at Petersville, and aftetwards removed to a farm in Forward township. In 1859 he married Miss Dora Garwig, of Beaver county, to which union have been born nine children: Sidney J., a merchant at Petersville; William G., of Forward township; Henry W., of Zelienople; Louisa, deceased; Adam J., of Evans City; Christina; Frank, a merchant at Petersville; Washington J., and Matilda S. In 1890 Mr. Dambach retired from farming, and settled in Zelienople, where he still resides. A Republican, in politics, he has served as assessor and school director of Forward township. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Henry W. Dambach, of the firm of Allen & Dambach, of Zelienople, was born in Forward township, Butler county, April 1, 1865, son of Adam and Dora (Garwig) Dambach. He was educated in the public schools, and at the Witherspoon Institute, and afterwards attended the State Normal School at Edinboro. He then taught school in Jackson and Forward townships for three years, and next acted as agent for the Pittsburg Water Elevator and Purifying Company. In April, 1889, he became a member of the firm of Allen & Dambach, merchants of Zelienople. He was also one of the first oil producers in the Harmony Oil field. Mr. Dambach was married May 16, 1889, to Nettie, daughter of H. M. Ziegler, of Jackson township, and has one son, Loyal Earl. He and wife are members of the Reformed church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

John Louis Roll was born in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, July 20, 1790, and was a son of Stephen Roll. He grew to maturity there, and in 1817 married Jeanne Susanne Chardoussin, a native of Wurtemberg, born January 24, 1793. Both the Roll and the Chardoussin families were of French

origin, and the ancestors lived in the south of France until the year 1160, when they were driven by religious persecution into Germany. John Louis Roll served in the French army, under Napoleon the Great, in 1813, 1814 and 1815, and participated in many of the battles and brilliant campaigns of Napoleon, closing with the disastrous battle of Waterloo. In 1828 he immigrated to the United States with his family, consisting of his wife and five children, as follows: Magdalena, who married H. H. Bicker, of Winfield township, Butler county; Margaret Catharine, wife of Christian Holland, of Beaver county; John P., a resident of Cranberry township; Catherine, wife of James Anderson, of Allegheny, and Louis, since deceased. After a voyage of ten weeks and three days on the sailing vessel William Penn, the family landed at Baltimore, from whence they journeyed overland by wagon to Pittsburg, where a settlement was was made. Mr. Roll followed the trade of stonemason in Pittsburg, until his removal to Cranberry township, Butler county, in 1832, having purchased a tract of land there in 1830. Mr. Roll and wife resided upon this farm down to their death, which occurred in 1881. One child was born to them after coming to America, viz., Hannah, wife of Peter Metz, of Beaver county. Both he and wife were members of the German Reformed church, and during their residence in this county, were known as quiet, unostentatious people, but nevertheless public-spirited and interested in the advancement and improvement of the community.

John P. Roll was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, September 27, 1822, and came with his parents to Pittsburg when a lad of five years old, and was ten years of age when the family settled in Cranberry township, Butler county. He remained at home, assisting in improving the farm, and enjoyed the limited advantages of that period. Pittsburg was the nearest trading point and marketing place, and loading the wagon with grain, he would start with his ox team for that city. After selling his produce, and making a few necessary purchases, he would return home, the trip usually requiring two days or more. Living in a rude log cabin and surrounded by such privations, he passed his days upon the farm, and remained with his parents until their decease, being their mainstay in their declining years. In 1844 he married Miss Eliza Noss, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, born October 8, 1825. Her parents, John and Elizabeth Noss, came to Butler county in 1832, and settled in Cranberry township, where the balance of their lives was passed. Mr. Roll settled on the old homestead which he rented from his father, and after the death of the latter, he purchased the interest of the other heirs. They are the parents of thirteen children: John Louis; Ann Elizabeth, deceased; Simon; Catherine, wife of Walter Campbell; William H.; George C.; James; Margaret A., wife of Ira Porter; Wilson R.; Robert M.; Lucinda, wife of Christian Frey; Frank E., and Charles, deceased. Mr. Roll and wife are members of St. John's Reformed church, of Cranberry township. He is a Republican, in politics, has been a member of the school board nine years, tax collector for five years, and is at present overseer of the poor.

John Hall was born in Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, February 27, 1806, son of Joseph and Phoebe (Covert) Hall, who belonged to one of the pioneer families of Lycoming county. He came with his parents to Pittsburg, and

later to Zelienople. His parents died in Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, whither they had removed. John Hall purchased a farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, and went bravely to work clearing and improving it. In 1830 he married Priscilla, daughter of Morris and Annie Covert, to which union where born eight children: Hulda J., of Cranberry township; Algernon C., who died in 1854; Cyrus W., of Adams township; Joseph, who died June 10, 1870; Annie, wife of Andrew Dunn; Isaac, who died August 25, 1877; Minerva, and Enoch, of Cranberry township. Mr. Hall and wife were members of the Plains Presbyterian church. He died April 13, 1880; his widow survived until March 10, 1887. He was a quiet, unassuming man, and always took an interest in the development and progress of the county.

Enoch Hall, youngest child of John and Priscilla Hall, was born upon the homestead farm in Cranberry township, September 6, 1849. He remained with his parents until arriving at his majority, assisting them in the duties of the farm and later taking charge of the same. Upon the death of his parents he succeeded to the homestead, which he has since carried on. He is a member of Plains Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. The Hall family are among the most respected in the township.

David Barto was a son of David Barto, who came from eastern Pennsylvania to Beaver county, and later settled in Cranberry township, Butler county, where he died. David, Jr., was one of a family of six children, and after arriving at manhood he married Mary Ann McMahon, of Beaver county, who born him a family of nine children, seven of whom are living, as follows: Margaret A., wife of James Flender; Permelia, wife of Thomas Jamison; Jesse, of Cranberry township; Isabella, wife of Joseph Sutherland; Agnes, of Cranberry township; John, a resident of Jackson township, and William, who resides at Evans City. Mr. Barto died in Jackson township in 1859. His widow survived until July, 1890.

Jesse Barto, eldest son of David and Mary Ann Barto, was born in Butler county, July 22, 1846, here grew to manhood, and in March, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Second Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and served in the Ninth Army Corps under General Burnside. He participated in the battles of Cold Harbor, Mine Explosion, and others, and was taken prisoner at Mine Explosion. He was confined in Danville for five months, was then taken to Libby prison, where he spent nearly three months, and was then exchanged and returned to his home. In 1865 he purchased his present homestead in Cranberry township. He is a stanch Republican, and gives an earnest support to the candidates and measures of his party.

John Buhler, son of John and Catherine Buhler, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, October 9, 1854, and grew to manhood engaged in farm labor. In 1881 he purchased his present home in Cranberry township. On October 31, 1885, he married Caroline Knauff, a daughter of Henry and Margaret Knauff, to which union have been born three children, as follows: Ella; Amanda, and Maggie. Mr. Buhler and wife are members of the Lutheran church at Zelienople.

HENRY KNAUFF was born in Prussia, July 20, 1817, son of Hartman and Elizabeth Knauff. In 1834, when in his seventeenth year, he came to the United States, being on the voyage fifty-eight days, and landed at Baltimore, Maryland. From Baltimore he came to Butler county, as he had an uncle, Michael Knauff, living near Zelienople. His parents came from Germany in 1836, and lived in Cranberry township, Butler county, where they purchased the tract of land upon which Henry now resides. Both died in this township, and Henry then purchased the interest of the other heirs. In 1841 Henry married Margaret Scheeber, a native of Germany, who came to this country with her father. He first rented a farm in Cranberry township, and continued to rent for twelve years. Three children were born to Henry and Margaret Knauff, as follows: Jacob, who resides in this county; Elizabeth, wife of George Leonberg, and Caroline, wife of John Buhler. Mrs. Knauff died in 1890. She was a member of the Zelienople Presbyterian church, to which body her husband also belongs. In politics, he is a Democrat.

JOHN EHRMAN, SR., is one of the leading farmers of Cranberry township. He was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, November 28, 1821, son of Bastian and Annie (Kaugh) Ehrman. When but a lad his parents died, and at the age of fourteen years he was thrown upon his own resources. He became a valet to a gentleman of wealth, and traveled with him through Europe and a portion of Asia, spending some time in India. In 1848 he came to the United States, arriving at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in June of that year. He found employment in carrying bricks to the builders, and being imbued with the principles of economy, he saved his earnings carefully and was thus enabled to embark in the grocery business in that city. In 1852 he married Annie Oble, a native of Germany, and the following year they came to Cranberry township, Butler county, and established a grocery store at Ogle. Owing to losses sustained by reason of the dishonesty of a former partner in Pittsburg, he was compelled to make a new start in Cranberry, where he commenced life on a capital of thirty dollars and a team of horses. He afterwards rented a farm, and resided thereon until he finally became its owner. By industry and economy they kept accumulating their means through the passing years, until he is now the owner of over 300 acres of land in Cranberry township. Four children have been born to John and Annie Ehrman, as follows: John, of Cranberry township; Peter, born November 24, 1854, married Hannah Hartzell, and has two children, Arthur and Annie; George, a resident of Cranberry township, and Sadie, deceased. Mr. Ehrman and wife are members of the German Lutheran church at Evans City. He is one of the substantial and enterprising farmers of Butler county, where he has resided more than forty years.

JOHN EHRMAN, eldest son of John and Annie Ehrman, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, March 29, 1853, and grew to maturity on his father's farm. He received a common school education in the district school of his neighborhood, and has always followed agricultural pursuits. In 1878 he married Mary Knauff, a daughter of Casper Knauff, of Zelienople. The young couple settled on a farm in Cranberry township, where they have since resided. They are the parents of four children: Annie L.; Henry William; John E., and Emma M.

Mr. Ehrman is one of the active and influential Democrats of his township, and has served as assessor and collector, and has been a member of the school board for three years. Both he and wife are members of the German Lutheran church at Evans City.

GEORGE EHRMAN, youngest son of John and Annie Ehrman, was born in Cranberry township, Butler county, April 7, 1858. His boyhood days were spent upon his father's farm, and he received a common school education at the district school of the neighborhood. On June 15, 1882, he married Sophia Shoup, a daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Knauff) Shoup. They settled on a farm in Cranberry township, which they have since made their home, and erected in 1890 a substantial residence. Five children have been born to them, three of whom survive, as follows: Annie Flora; Laura Adelina, and Amos Oscar. Mr. and Mrs. Ehrman are members of the German Lutheran church of Evans City, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He is one of the leading farmers and progressive citizens of his native township.

ANDREW G. THOMPSON was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1812, son of James and Isabella Thompson, natives of Ireland, who immigrated to Allegheny county, and resided there down to their death. Andrew G. Thompson married Mary English, a native of Ireland, born in 1809, who came to America with her parents in childhood. They spent their lives in Allegheny county. Mrs. Thompson died May 23, 1880, and her husband, August 17, 1883. They were consistent members of the Presbyterian church. Six children were born to them, four of whom grew to maturity: James, of Cranberry township; Mary, wife of James Jackson; Andrew, a resident of Allegheny county, and Samuel, who resides on the old homestead in the same county.

JAMES THOMPSON was born on the homestead farm in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1835, and is the eldest living child of Andrew G. Thompson. His boyhood days were spent in the usual routine of farm life, and he obtained a common school education at the district school of his neighborhood. On March 21, 1861, he married Mary Thorn, a native of Butler county, and a daughter of John M. and Martha (Campbell) Thorn, who came from Westmoreland county to Butler county at quite an early day and settled in Oakland township. Here Mr. Thorn, who was one of the first teachers of the county, died, in June, 1840. Soon after his marriage Mr. Thompson located on his present farm in Cranberry township. Their first home was a log cabin, and the land was comparatively uncleared, but the young couple had been reared in pioneer surroundings, and bravely set to work to make themselves a permanent home. The farm now consists of ninety-five acres of highly improved land, and the humble cabin has been replaced by a handsome and commodious dwelling. They are the parents of seven children, viz.: Andrew H., of Braddock; Martha A., wife of R. W. Garvin; Lida M.; Alvin T.; Eva P.; Samuel A., and Cora, deceased. Mr. Thompson is an elder in Plains Presbyterian church, to which society both he and wife belong, and in which the latter takes a prominent part in woman's work as president of the Ladies Missionary Society. In politics, he is a Republican, and is active in the promotion of the public school system. He

is a member of Cranberry Grange, and is one of the progressive farmers of his township.

Frederick Leise was a native of Hesse, Germany, born in 1816, and immigrated to the United States with his father, John Leise, in 1842. His mother and three brothers, John, George and Henry, came at the same time. The last mentioned is living in Lawrence county, but John and George are dead. The parents located in what is now Brady township, Butler county, where the father purchased a tract of seventy-five acres, now owned by John Stein, and resided there until their death, in 1854. Frederick grew to manhood in his native land, and married Susannah Keine, a native of Germany, who came to America with her parents. Four sons and three daughters were the fruits of this union, as follows: John, of Cranberry township; Henry, deceased; Caroline, wife of George Helwig, of Iowa; Margaret, wife of Philip Burr; Christina, wife of Isaac Burr; Jacob deceased, and William J., who died in infancy. At his father's death Mr. Leise purchased the old homestead, lived there until 1855, and then located in Jackson township. His wife died September 24, 1856, and he married for his second wife Barbara Kleinfelter, a native of Germany. Five children were born to this union, four of whom are living, as follows: Katharine, wife of William Fehl; George; Frederick, of Cranberry township, and Mary, wife of Benjamin Johnson of the same township. Mr. Leise moved into Cranberry township in 1869, and died there in 1871. His widow is still a resident of that township. He was a member of the Reformed church, and a very worthy man.

John Leise, eldest son of Frederick and Susannah Leise, remained with his parents until his majority, enjoying but limited advantages for an education. In 1871 he married Dora Pflugh, a native of Beaver county, and located on his present homestead, buying out the other heirs. Since it came into his possession he has made many improvements, has erected a handsome residence and substantial barn, and is now the owner of 165 acres of well improved land. They are the parents of seven children, six of whom are living, as follows: William F., who died in childhood; John C.; Laura B.; Mary E.; Josephine A.; Clarence E., and Myrtland L. Mr. Leise and wife are members of the Reformed church at Evans City. He is a Democrat, and has filled the offices of township collector and assessor. He is a member of Cranberry Grange, and represented it at the convention of the State Grange at Harrisburg, in December, 1892.

George Meeder was born July 19, 1851, son of Frederick and Caroline (Haine) Meeder, of Cranberry township. He spent his boyhood days upon the homestead farm, and attended the common school of the district. In 1879 he married Dena Frantz, born September 3, 1857, in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, a daughter of John Frantz, a native of Zelienople, Butler county, Pennsylvania. Immediately following their marriage the young couple settled on a farm in Cranberry township, where they now reside. They are the parents of three children: Charles Frederick, born November 18, 1879; Elmer, born August 6, 1887, and Edward B., born June 15, 1891. Mr. Meeder is a Democrat, and takes a decided interest in the political questions of the day. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Zelieneople.

Joseph West came from Beaver county, Pennsylvania, with his family in 1861, and settled in Cranberry township, Butler county. He was born in Franklin township, Beaver county, in 1815, married Maria Powell, of Beaver county, and followed farming as an occupation. He reared a family of three sons and three daughters, viz.; Mary Ann, wife of T. S. Wilson, of Allegheny county; Fleming, of Cranberry township; Calvin J., of Evans City; S. J., wife of Addison Ramsey, of Cranberry; Andrew J., also a resident of Cranberry, and Maria A., wife of James Croft, of the same township. Mr. West died February 9, 1892; his widow survives him.

Fleming West was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1843, and is the eldest son of Joseph West. He came with his parents to Cranberry township in 1861, and remained with them assisting in the duties of the farm, and attending the common school of the district. In 1867 he married Mary M. Wilson, a native of Cranberry township, Butler county, and a daughter of William and Margaret (Bryan) Wilson, early settlers of that township. Soon after their marriage they located upon their present farm, a part of the original homestead, which he has since improved in many ways. Five children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Ida A., wife of Edwin Ramsey; Charlie L., who died June 10, 1890, aged nineteen years; Mary M.; Joseph V., and Murtland R. The family worship at Crestview Presbyterian church, in which Mr. West is an elder. He has held various offices in the township, and is an ardent supporter of the Democratic party.

Andrew J. West was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1849, and is the youngest son of Joseph and Maria (Powell) West, who came to Cranberry township, Butler county, in 1861. He spent his boyhood days upon the farm with his parents, and received a common school education. In 1880 he married Annie M., a daughter of Michael and Sarah A. Knox, whose family were early settlers of Jackson township, where Mr. Knox and wife were born and reared. Mrs. West is a native of Butler county. Immediately following their marriage Mr. West settled upon a part of the old homestead, where they have since resided. They have two children, Eury Iona and Beulah. He and wife are members of Crestview Presbyterian church, at Callery, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He has served as a member of the school board, has always been a warm friend of the public schools, and is one of the well known citizens of Cranberry township.

John Smith was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, October 8, 1820, and came to the United States with his brother Henry, in April, 1846. They located in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where John worked as a roller in an iron mill. He was married in 1847, to Miss Elizabeth Helsel, a native of Alsace, Germany, born March 23, 1817. She came to this country with a brother in 1846, landing in New York on Christmas day. In 1860 Mr. Smith and wife removed to a farm in Beaver county, lived there until 1864, and then located on a farm in Cranberry township, Butler county. In 1868 they removed to another farm in the same township, where he died, December 4, 1885. His widow resides with her son on the old homestead. Mr. Smith was a member of the German Reformed church, and was a public-spirited citizen. He possessed a good education, took

a deep interest in school matters and was highly respected and esteemed. Of their family of seven children, three are now living: Elizabeth, wife of H. J. Gibson; John H., of Cranberry township, and Mary, wife of Andrew Keck.

John H. Smith was born in the City of Pittsburg, January 25, 1857, and is the only living son of John Smith. He was three years old when his parents removed to Beaver county, and seven when they settled in Cranberry township, Butler county. Here he grew to maturity, engaged in the usual routine duties of a farmer's life, and attended the public school of his district during the winter seasons. He was married March 20, 1884, to Amelia Deemer, a native of Cranberry township, and a daughter of Andrew and Catherine Deemer. One child was born to them, Emma Amelia, who died August 24, 1885. Mrs. Smith died February 16, 1885. She was a consistent member of the Reformed church, to which denomination her husband also belongs. Mr. Smith purchased the homestead where he now resides, containing ninety-four acres of well improved land, upon which he has erected substantial buildings. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is well known as one of the energetic and progressive citizens of the community.

William Wright was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1791, son of Robert and Betsey Wright, who came from Ireland to Allegheny county at an early day. William Wright married Sarah Smith, a native of Allegheny county, born in May, 1792, and a daughter of John Smith, who was killed in the War of 1812. Mr. Wright and wife lived and died in Allegheny county, the former dying July 5, 1870, and the latter October 13, 1881, in the ninetieth year of her age. They were the parents of fourteen children, twelve of whom grew to maturity.

Isaac N. Wright, youngest son of William and Sarah Wright, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, June 3, 1842, and spent his boyhood days in his native county. He was married November 28, 1865, to Susan Killian, born January 11, 1845. She is a daughter of Henry and Mary Killian, natives of Germany and Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, respectively. Her father died in Allegheny county, December 21, 1877, aged seventy-one years, but her mother is still living at the advanced age of eighty-three years. In January, 1885, Mr. Wright located on his present farm in Cranberry township, Butler county. He is the father of six children, as follows: Ida M., wife of John Steele, of Rochester, Pennsylvania; Henry C.; Clark H.; Earle E.; Gilbert W., and Albert R. Mr. and Mrs. Wright are members of Dutillh Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has been superintendent of the Sabbath school. He is a Republican in politics, and was elected justice of the peace in 1887 and re-elected in 1892.

George Gaertner, a prominent German citizen of Cranberry township, Butler county, was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, September 22, 1822, and is a son of Christian and Catharine Gaertner. He came to the United States with his parents in 1826. They settled in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, subsequently removed to Beaver county, and later resided near Zelienople, in Butler county, whence they returned to Beaver county and there died. At the age of sixteen the subject of this sketch hired out for three years, at the rate of fifty dollars per year, and thus commenced life for himself. He followed various occupations

until 1846, in which year he married Christina Metz, a native of Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, whence she came with her parents to America. The young couple resided in Beaver county until 1865, when they purchased their homestead in Cranberry township, upon which Mr. Gaertner has resided for nearly thirty years. Six children were born to this union, as follows: Caroline, wife of Andrew Voerker; Lizzie, deceased; Henry, of Cranberry township; Margaret, wife of Andrew Kirshler; George, of Cranberry township, and Sophia, deceased. Mrs. Gaertner died in 1886, in the Lutheran faith, to which denomination her husband also belongs, being an elder in that church. He is a Republican, in politics, and has been supervisor in his township for three years.

John Barnet Reichle was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, in 1837, grew to manhood in his native land, and served six years in the Royal Cavalry. In 1866 he immigrated to New York, possessing no capital but pluck, determination and energy, thence came to Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he worked in the mines, and later located at Pittsburg and found employment in an iron mill. He afterwards engaged as a teamster, and during his residence in Pittsburg he married Maggie Bergman. In the meantime he had saved some money, and, in 1881, purchased his present farm in Cranberry township, Butler county, paying cash for the same from his accumulated earnings. His farm contains sixty acres, is well improved and has a number of good oil wells upon it. Mr. and Mrs. Reichle are the parents of ten children. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a worthy, prosperous farmer.

Matthew White, son of Alexander White, was a native of Franklin county, Pennsylvania, and removed with his family from the site of Wilkinsburg, Allegheny county, to Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in May, 1799. He was then the "fullest handed" settler in that locality, and a man above the average in education and intelligence. The village of Whitestown was founded by him and named in his honor. He died on his farm in 1813. His wife was Frances Spear, who survived him many years, and was known among the pioneers as "Aunt Fanny." Their infant son, John, was the first interment in Mt. Nebo graveyard, in August, 1801. Three sons, Alexander, Andrew Spear and Edward, grew to manhood. Alexander White, Sr., was a slaveholder, and divided his slaves among his children. Eleanor Troy, better known as "Black Nell," he gave to his daughter Annie, wife of Alexander Galbraith, of Centre township; one "Pomp," a mulatto, he gave to his son James, who settled at Waterford, Erie county, and "George Mitchell," a mulatto, became the property of his son Matthew. Alexander White, eldest son of Matthew White, spent his life at Whitestown. His son, Robert A., resides in Butler. The second son of Matthew White, Andrew Spear White, married Angelina Ford, who bore him one daughter, Jane. She married Matthew McCollough, and was the mother of A. W. McCollough, of Butler. Edward White married Elizabeth Sullivan, a daughter of Charles Sullivan, a pioneer of Franklin township. She bore him eight children, six of whom are living. Matthew White and wife were among the founders of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church. They and many of their descendants have been sleeping the years away in Mt. Nebo burial

ground, where long rows of little mounds, whose green curtains never outward swing, mark the resting place of the family.

William Spear, a Revolutionary soldier, who married Barbara White, familiarly known as "Aunt Babby," came to Butler county in 1799, with Matthew White and family. He settled in what is now Franklin township, not far from the site of Prospect, where the remaining years of his life were passed. He and wife were among the organizers of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church, and when death came they were laid at rest in the old graveyard near by, where many of their descendants sleep in peace. Two of their sons, Andrew and Matthew, were prominent physicians of pioneer days. Another son, Edward, settled at Warren, Ohio, to which place his brother William afterwards removed. The former, who died at Warren a few years ago at a ripe old age, was the father of Judge William Spear, the present chief justice of Ohio.

Leonard Shannon was born on the Atlantic, during the passage of his parents from Ireland to America. They settled in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, where Leonard grew to maturity. He learned the wagon-maker's trade in Philadelphia, subsequently located in Cumberland county, where he filled the office of sheriff for one term. In 1799 he came to Butler county, and settled in Franklin township, where he took up a tract of 400 acres of land, and engaged in farming and wagon-making. He married Jane Walker, a daughter Robert Walker, of Washington, D. C., to which union the following children were born: David; Rachel; Sarah; Joseph; John; Mary, who married William Gibson; Betsey; Jane, who married a Mr. Berger; Hannah, who married Robert McGinniss, and Samuel W., all of whom are deceased. Mr. Shannon was a man of great physical strength and undaunted courage, and was well fitted by nature for the trials and hardships of pioneer life. He resided upon his farm in Connoquenessing township until his death, in 1843. In early life he was an adherent of the Democratic party, but afterwards became a Whig. He was a prominent member of the Masonic order, and in religious belief, was a member of the Presbyterian church, in which denomination he filled several offices at different periods.

David Shannon, eldest son of Leonard and Jane Shannon, was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, in 1794, and came with his parents to Franklin township, Butler county, in 1799. He attended the pioneer subscription schools in early boyhood, and subsequently learned the blacksmith's trade in Pittsburg. Returning to Butler county he followed his trade at Whitestown, purchased 350 acres of land in Connoquenessing township, and followed farming in connection with his trade. In 1818 he married Ann White, a daughter of Matthew and Fanny White. They became the parents of eight children, viz: John L.; Matthew W.; Fanny, who married Matthew McCollough; Rachel, who became the wife of Alfred Hines; Betsy, deceased; David; Mary, deceased wife of Robert Lemmon, and Samuel, deceased. Mr. Shannon was a stanch Democrat, served as justice of the peace for several years, and also filled the office of coroner. He was at one time connected with the Butler *Repository*, as editor. He died in 1876, and his wife in 1875.

John L. Shannon, eldest son of David and Ann Shannon, was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1819, attended the pioneer schools

of his neighborhood, and was reared a farmer, which business has been his life vocation. He married Margaret Cabel, a daughter of Daniel and Catherine Cabel, who became the mother of seven children, viz.: Henderson, who was killed in the Rebellion; David, deceased; Emmeline, deceased wife of J. W. Gibson; Jane, wife of John Barr; Maggie, deceased; Charles, and Quincy Gilmore. Mrs. Shannon died in 1891. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, to which denomination her husband belongs. He held the offices of steward and trustee in the church for a great number of years, and is one of the pioneer members of that church in Connoquenessing township. Mr. Shannon is one of the substantial citizens of his native county, in which his entire life has been passed.

William Brandon was born in New Jersey, January 19, 1756, and was a son of Thomas Brandon, a native of Ireland, who settled in that State and was the father of two sons and one daughter. Thomas was a great-grandson of Col. William Brandon, who came from Holland to Fermanagh county, Ireland, in 1600. On April 1, 1776, William Brandon enlisted in the Continental army, and served one year and nine months. He participated in the battles of White Plains, Trenton, Princeton and Brandywine, and in 1824 he was granted a pension by the Pennsylvania legislature as a reward for his services in the Revolution. In 1781 he married Sarah Livingston, born in New Jersey, June 8, 1758, and in 1798 came from Adams county, to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, and located on Wolf creek. Here the parents spent the remaining years of their lives, dying in March, 1826, and June, 1842, respectively. Their children were as follows: John; William; Henry; James; Thomas, and Sally.

John Brandon, eldest son of William and Sarah Brandon, was born near Gettysburg, York county (now Adams), Pennsylvania, July 4, 1782, and came with his parents to Mercer county in 1798, where he grew to manhood. Early in the present century he settled in what is now Forward township, Butler county, purchasing 140 acres of land where his son, James Brandon, now lives. He died at the home of his son, John W., in Connoquenessing township, June 13, 1873, at the remarkable age of ninety-one years. Mr. Brandon was one of the early members of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church. Although his name does not appear in the roster of Butler county pioneers who went out in the War of 1812, it is claimed by his descendants that he served in that war. He was originally a Whig and afterwards a Republican, and served as county commissioner one term. In 1804 he married Susan Welsh, and they were the parents of five children: William; John W.; Thomas; Sarah, who married Jacob Cleffer, and after his death Rudolph Kelker, and Mary, who became the wife of George Marvin.

John W. Brandon, second son of John and Sarah Brandon, was born upon the homestead in Forward township, Butler county, September 6, 1814. He grew to manhood beneath the parental roof, and settled close to Petersville, in Connoquenessing township, where he spent his life in the peaceful calling of agriculture. He died September 9, 1890. His farm is the celebrated Brandon oil farm. In early life he was a Whig and afterwards a Republican, but in later years he was an ardent Prohibitionist, and chairman of the county commit-

John L. Shannon

tee. He served one term as county commissioner, and for many years filled the office of justice of the peace, and took an active part in public affairs. Mr. Brandon was one of the leading members of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church, and filled the office of elder in that organization. He married Ruth A., a daughter of John Bieghley, of Lancaster township, who survives him. Their children are as follows: William W.; Sarah J., wife of Peter H. Heckert; Jacob C.; John C., deceased; Washington D.; Susan C., wife of John A. Brandon; Quincy A., deceased; Martha E., wife of S. O. Wright; James E., and Junius H., deceased.

Daniel Graham was born on the Isle of Lewis, near the west coast of Scotland, about 1749, grew to maturity in his native land, and immigrated to America in 1770. He served in the Revolution, was married in Philadelphia to Margaret J. McKenzie, and settled in the vicinity of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in 1783. In 1794 he removed to Allegheny county, lived there two years, and in 1796 he came to what is now Butler county, and located upon a tract of 400 acres in Connoquenessing township, a portion of which is now owned by Henry Brunermer. He resided here down to his death, in 1839, aged ninety years. He was the father of five children, as follows: John, who was born near Carlisle in 1784, and married Mary McLeod; Alexander; Nancy, who married Robert McKee; Catherine, who married Carhart Walling, and Margaret, who married Capt. Alexander Graham, all of whom are dead. Mr. Graham was a member of of the Union, now the United Presbyterian, church, and died in that faith.

Alexander Graham, youngest son of Daniel and Margaret J. Graham, was born near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in 1791, and was about five years old when his parents came to Butler county. He was reared upon the homestead in Connoquenessing township, and followed farming all his life. He married Elizabeth Rainey, a daughter of Thomas and Catherine C. Rainey, to which union were born seven children, as follows: Jane, wife of Henry Brunermer; Hiram, who married Elizabeth E. Steen; Sydney, who married Robert Lemmon; Daniel, who died at Wilmington, North Carolina, through long confinement at Libby and Andersonville prisons; Thomas, who married Jane Purviance; John A., who married Mary Ann Wade, and Theophilus, who married Mertilla Fair. Mr. Graham was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a stanch Whig. He died in 1855; his wife survived him two years.

Thomas Graham, son of Alexander and Elizabeth Graham, was born upon his father's farm in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, November 13, 1837, was educated in the public schools, and settled upon a portion of the old homestead. In 1861 he married Jane Purviance. Politically, he is a Republican, and was elected justice of the peace in 1886. He is quite active in public affairs, and is recognized as one of the progressive farmers of his township. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and an elder in that body.

Henry Brunermer, whose parents were natives of Germany, from which country they immigrated to Canada in 1826, was born in the Province of Ontario, Canada, about ten miles from Niagara Falls, in the year 1830. His parents subsequently moved to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1839, and settled in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1840, purchasing sixty-two acres of land, which they cleared and improved. He learned the carpenter's trade with James

Gray, of Connoquenessing township, and followed it for forty-six years in connection with farming. In 1852 he married Jane Graham, a daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Graham, of Connoquenessing township, to which union were born twelve children, as follows: George Alexander, who married Cora Collins; Mary E., who married Hans Anderson; Sydney A., who married Rev. Samuel Krohn; Hiram Clayton, and Margaret O., both deceased; Laura J.; Margaret Ann; Daniel G.; Agnes R.; Willa Blanche; Mertilla, deceased, and Henrietta. Politically, Mr. Brunermer is a Republican, and has served in several minor township offices. Himself and family are members of White Oak Spring United Presbyterian congregation.

Peter Henry was a son of Frederick Henry, a native of Germany, and was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1764. When Peter was fourteen years of age, their home, six miles from Greensburg, was attacked by a band of marauding Indians, and his mother and the two youngest children were killed. Peter and two younger children were taken prisoners by the savages, but they had proceeded only a short distance when the youngest child began to cry and was immediately tomahawked. The Indians carried Peter and his sister to the point since known as Brady's Bend, where they went into camp. The redoubtable Captain Brady, at the head of a party of scouts, had followed the savages, attacked them in the night while asleep, and only one of the band escaped to tell the tale. Brady took the children to Fort Pitt, and subsequently delivered them safely to their father. Peter grew to manhood in his native county, and in 1798 came to what is now Summit township, Butler county, entered a tract of 320 acres of land, and erected a cabin in the midst of the forest. This land is still in possession of his descendants. He brought his family to his new home in 1800, and resided upon this farm down to his death, in 1852, aged eighty-eight years. His wife Margaret died in 1832. They were the parents of the following children: Mary A., who married H. J. Coyle; Elizabeth, who married John Brinker; John; Adam; Peter; Frederick; Joseph; Jefferson, and William, all of whom are dead. Mr. Henry and wife were members of the Lutheran church. He was a leading spirit in the Federal party in Butler county, and afterwards a local leader in the Whig party.

Joseph Henry, son of Peter and Margaret Henry, was born upon the homestead farm in Summit township, Butler county, September 13, 1812, and grew to manhood in his native township. In October, 1837, he married Mary N. Scott, a daughter of Robert Scott, and settled upon a farm in Clearfield township, upon which he resided until 1857. He then purchased a farm in Connoquenessing township, now in possession of his son, Robert S., upon which he lived for thirty years, dying May 5, 1887. He was the father of eleven children, ten of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Sarah B., deceased wife of N. N. Stevenson; Margaret, who married Benjamin Powell; Mary A., deceased; Elizabeth J., wife of E. G. Duncan, of Iowa; Caroline, deceased; Robert S.; Jane, deceased wife of J. C. Cruikshank; Mary A., deceased wife of J. A. Croft; Melissa E., who married John Greene; Harriet F., wife of Charles Shannon, and Minnie M., deceased. Mr. Henry was a justice of the peace for twenty-five years, was a local leader in the Republican party, and was quite prominent in

public affairs. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and filled the offices of trustee and steward in that organization.

ROBERT S. HENRY, merchant, was born in Clearfield township, Butler county, March 1, 1845, son of Joseph and Mary N. Henry. He received a common school education, and followed farming until 1889, then retired from agriculture, and was appointed agent of the Cumberland Fertilizer Company, also of the Standard Fertilizer Company, of Syracuse, New York. In 1892 he established a general store at Buttercup, Connoquenessing township, and was appointed postmaster of that office July 1, of the same year. Mr. Henry married Sarah L. Shannon, a daughter of Thompson Shannon, to which union have been born nine children, viz: Levingston S.; Earnest L.; Joseph D.; Peter, deceased; Dallas D.; Nettie; Tyne; Frank, and Rosso N. He is an ardent Republican, and is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and Eureka Grange, Number 244, Patrons of Husbandry.

J. L. CHRISTIE, physician and druggist, was born in Concord township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, May 19, 1852, son of William A. and Sarah J. (McJunkin) Christie, pioneer families of this county. He was reared in Centre township, upon the homestead farm, obtained his primary education in the common schools, and subsequently attended Witherspoon Institute and Grove City College. He read medicine with Dr. A. M. Neyman, of Butler, and graduated from Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, in the spring of 1877. In April of that year he located at Petersville, where he has since continued to practice his profession. In 1887 he established a drug store, which he has since conducted in connection with his professional duties. Dr. Christie has been a member of the Butler County Medical Association for sixteen years, and has filled the office of secretary for five years. He has also been a member of the State Medical Society for fifteen years, and is one of the well known physicians of Butler county. Since locating at Petersville he has built up a lucrative practice, and has won the respect and confidence of the people of his community. Dr. Christie was married in 1881, to Sarah Richardson, a daughter of William Richardson of Connoquenessing township. She died January 1, 1888, leaving two children, viz.: Frank, and Karl. He was again married, to Tyne S. Jamison, a daughter of Rev. William H. Jamison, by which union he is the father of two children, viz.: Ralph, and Mildred. In politics, Dr. Christie is an ardent Republican, and has always taken an active interest in the success of his party. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and has filled the office of trustee for eleven years.

JOHN RICHARDSON was a native of Ireland, and immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, settling on a farm in Connoquenessing township, now in possession of his grandson, William Richardson. He learned the weaver's trade in his native land, and followed that business in this county for a number of years. He took up 400 acres of unimproved land, built his cabin in the midst of a forest, and resided there the remainder of his life. He married Ellen Pillow, also a native of Ireland, who became the mother of six children, viz.: William; Moses, killed in boyhood by a falling tree; Elizabeth, who married John Frazier; Eleanor; Jane, who married James Cochran, and Polly, who became the

wife of Daniel Graham, all of who are deceased. Mr. Richardson was a member of the German Reformed church, and quite prominent in that denomination. In politics, he was a Whig.

William Richardson, Sr., eldest son of John and Ann Richardson, was born in Ireland, and came with his parents to Butler county. In 1808 he settled upon a portion of his father's farm, and assisted him in clearing the land. He married Elizabeth McCleary, a daughter of William McCleary, in 1812, which union was blessed with the following children: John, deceased; William; Ellen, deceased wife of Augustus Cuthbert; Eliza J., wife of Alexander Bryson; Samuel, who was killed on a steamboat near Yankton, Dakota; Sarah Ann, who married Peter Ray; Newton M., a physician of Prospect; Caroline, who married Jacob Ray; Milton, deceased, and one that died in early youth. Politically, Mr. Richardson was a Republican, and filled the office of tax collector for three years. He died in 1870, aged eighty-nine years; his wife survived him three years, dying in 1873.

William Richardson, second son of William and Elizabeth Richardson, was born upon the homestead farm in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1817, was reared to farm life, and after attaining his maturity inherited the property upon which he resides. In 1850 he married Eliza Frazier, a daughter of Arthur and Martha Frazier, of Connoquenessing township, and has four children, viz.: Ellen, who married Thompson Purviance; Samuel; Sarah, who married Dr. J. L. Christie, of Petersville, and Mary, wife of Dr. McConnell, of Prospect. The last mentioned is the only survivor of the family. Mr. Richardson has always been an ardent supporter of the Republican party, and has filled the office of school director for a number of years. He is a member of the German Reformed church, and has filled the offices of trustee and elder in that denomination.

Thomas Alexander was a native of Ireland, immigrated at an early day to the United States, and finally settled in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in the first decade of this century. He married Nancy Bailey, also a native of Ireland, who became the mother of seven children, viz.: Sarah, who first married John McCauley, and afterwards Samuel Gallagher; Andrew, and Robert, both deceased; Nancy, who married Jacob Cratty; Eliza, who married a Mr. Kelly, and Lucinda who married a Mr. Leviere. The parents died upon the old homestead, the father in 1876, and the mother in 1886.

Robert Alexander, second son of Thomas and Nancy Alexander, was born in 1825, upon the old homestead in Connoquenessing township, now the residence of Joseph Allen. He grew to manhood upon his father's farm, and in 1851 was married to Martha Ferguson. Ten children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Orville; Nelson; Thomas; Benton; Nettie, who married George Ross; John; William H.; Boyd; Nannie, and Dora, who married Ford Weigle. The survivors of this family are Thomas, William H. and Nannie. Mr. Alexander was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and was quite prominent in local church matters. A Republican, in politics, he held the offices of school director, supervisor and overseer of the poor for a number of years, and was always active in promoting the good of the community. He purchased

a farm of 111 acres, from David Marshall, of Prospect, located in Muddy Creek township, upon which he resided down to his death, in 1878. His wife survived him three years, dying in 1881. Mr. Alexander was one of the thrifty and progressive farmers of his township, a good citizen and a worthy man.

William H. Alexander was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1862, received his primary education in the district school, afterwards attended Grove City College for one year and graduated at Duff's Mercantile College at Pittsburg. Upon attaining his majority he engaged in teaching, and followed that vocation for seven years. He then went to California, where he remained only a brief time, when he returned to Butler county and purchased an interest in a general store at Whitestown, where he is now engaged in merchandising, under the firm name of Alexander & Doutt. In 1884 he married Edith McGowan, a daughter of James and Sarah McGowan of Prospect. She is the mother of two children: James H., and Grace B. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which society he has served as trustee and superintendent of the Sabbath school. Politically, he is quite an influential worker in the Republican party, and gives an unswerving support to its measures and principles. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and the Order of the Iron Hall.

John C. Shanor was born June 17, 1817, is a son of Henry and Susan (Bieghley) Shanor, and a grandson of Henry Shanor, the first settler of the family in this county. He was reared upon his father's farm, and learned the shoemaker's trade at Butler, which business he followed for ten years and then engaged in farming. In 1846 Mr. Shanor married Catherine Cratty, a daughter of James and Jane Cratty, of Muddy Creek township. They had one daughter, Mary Jane, who died in 1863. They adopted Susan M. Sheiver when she was four years old, and she is now the wife of W. A. Shanor, of Beaver Falls. Both he and wife are members of St. John's Lutheran church, in which he holds the office of elder. Mr. Shanor attended school at the old Stone Church, which was one of the early school houses of Lancaster township, Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as tax collector of his township.

Samuel Stewart was one of the early settlers of Lancaster township, Butler county. He was the eldest son of Robert Stewart, who settled on the site of Portersville in 1796, was born in Cumberland county, but came from Westmoreland county, whither his parents had removed from Cumberland. Samuel had a family of twelve children, six sons and six daughters, as follows: Robert; William; John; Samuel; Archibald; Joseph; Betsey; Sarah; Margaret; James; Ann, and Nancy, all of whom are dead. The father served in the War of 1812, and was a well known hunter of pioneer days. His wife was one of those courageous, resolute women, fitted by nature to bear the hardships and overcome the obstacles of a new country. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and died upon their farm in Lancaster township.

William Stewart was born upon his father's farm in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1805, and was the last surviving son of Samuel Stewart. He died in Connoquenessing township, in March, 1878, aged seventy-three years. He was reared upon the farm, and in 1827 was married to Eliza Frew, a daughter

of John and Margaret Frew. She was born in Lawrence county, in 1806, and by her marriage to William Stewart became the mother of eight children, viz.: Alexander; Nancy J., a resident of Michigan; Margaret, wife of William Lutz; J. Frew, a resident of Washington, D. C.; Rose, deceased wife of Samuel White; Archibald; Lydia H., who resides in Rochester, and Emeline, deceased wife of Benjamin Hydenberk. Mr. Stewart was a Whig prior to the formation of the Republican party, and afterwards a Republican. Both he and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church. The latter died in 1876.

ALEXANDER STEWART, eldest in the family of William and Eliza Stewart, was born upon the homestead farm in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1828, attended the district school of his neighborhood, and afterwards learned the carpenter's trade, which, however, he only followed for a short period. He purchased a farm of 150 acres, from D. C. Roth, in Connoquenessing township, and has been engaged in farming for more than forty years. In 1851 he married Marian, a daughter of William Scott, of Butler county, to which union have been born four children, as follows: Elizabeth A., wife of M. J. Humphrey; Will S.; Ada, wife of William Moore, and Nettie, wife of Stewart Wilson. Mr. Stewart is an ardent Republican, and has served as justice of the peace for fifteen years. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian church of Prospect, and was one of the principal contributors towards the erection of the church building in that borough. He is a progressive, enterprising farmer, and is highly respected by the community in which his life has been passed.

FREDERICK BARNHART was born upon the homestead farm in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1809, son of Rudolph Barnhart, and his early life was spent in assisting his father in the usual duties that fall to the lot of a farmer's boy. He attended school in the log school house of the neighborhood, and endured the usual trials of pioneer life. He married Catherine, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Thorn, who bore him a family of six children, viz: Rudolph; Elizabeth, who married J. J. Barnhart; Susan; Caroline; Sarah L., and Andrew J., all of whom are dead except Rudolph and Elizabeth. Mr. Barnhart was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, held the offices of deacon and elder in that denomination, and was a prominent factor in the erection of the first church building of that society near Millerstown. Politically, he was a Republican, and served as school director for a number of years. He died in 1879, and his widow resides with her son, Rudolph, at Petersville.

RUDOLPH BARNHART, son of Frederick and Catherine Barnhart, and grandson of Rudolph Barnhart, the pioneer, was born upon his father's farm near Millerstown, Butler county, in 1842, and was educated in the public schools and at Clarion Academy. In 1862 he enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and participated in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and several minor engagements, during his term of nine months, which expired in 1863. He was married in that year to Mary Shakely, a daughter of John and Susan Shakely, of Millerstown, and has two children, William and Frederick. The Barnhart farm near Millerstown, is one of the pioneer oil farms of the county, the first well being drilled in 1873, and commenced flowing at the rate of 1400 barrels per day. A year after this

event, Mr. Barnhart located near Harmony, where he resided on a farm for twelve years, and then removed to Petersville, where he has since carried on a general store in partnership with his son. He is a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, has held the office of deacon and elder, and is quite active in church affairs. He is a member of the G. A. R., also of the P. of H., and the Jr. O. U. A. M. Politically, he is an unswerving Republican, and always gives his earnest support to that party.

Robert Hays came from eastern Pennsylvania to Pittsburg early in the present century, where he was offered 150 acres of land, upon which Allegheny now stands, for a sorrel horse and sixty dollars, but not considering the land worth what was asked for it, he rejected the offer. He then came to Butler county with his family, and located in Connoquenessing township, upon a tract of 400 acres of land, but soon returned to Pittsburg. He afterwards returned to Butler county, settled upon his farm, and spent the remainder of his life thereon. He married Nancy Plummer, to which union were born the following children, all of whom are dead: William; Jonathan; Alexander; Anna; Sarah; Matilda; Rebecca, and Samuel. Both he and wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He was a Whig, in politics, and served a number of years as justice of the peace.

Samuel Hays, third son of Robert and Nancy Hays, was born upon the homestead farm in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, in 1805, and remained with his parents until 1822, when he started a small store in one room of the house. He carried on merchandising in connection with farming for twenty years, and this was the pioneer store of that vicinity. Mr. Hays married Harriet Henderson, a daughter of Hugh Henderson, about 1827, and they became the parents of the following children: Elizabeth; Robert S.; Nancy; Caroline; Rebecca; Louisa, who married Harvey Colbert of Butler; Henderson; James S., and one that died in early youth. The only survivors of the family are Robert S., and James S. Samuel Hays was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican. He died in 1873, and his wife in 1881.

Robert S. Hays, eldest son of Samuel and Harriet Hays, and grandson of Robert Hays, was born in 1830, upon his father's farm in Connoquenessing township, and resided there until 1864, when he purchased a farm of 150 acres in the same township, where he has since resided. In 1865 he bought a flour mill from Joseph McKinney, of Allegheny county, which he has since carried on in connection with agriculture. The mill has a capacity of twenty-five barrels per day. Mr. Hays married Mary J., a daughter of John and Elizabeth Cooper, of Lawrence county, and six children are the fruits of this union, viz: Orrie W.; Herschel; Mina, wife of William Rader; Lionel; Bertie, deceased, and Troy. Mr. Hays has been an elder for three years, and a trustee in the Presbyterian church for twelve years. In politics, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of collector and auditor for six years each. He is one of the energetic, enterprising and successful farmers of his township.

Adam Young was born in Alsace, Germany, and there grew to maturity. In 1840, at the age of twenty-seven, having served seven years in the army, he came to the United States, landing at New Orleans. He was there during the

yellow fever plague, and was employed with a horse and dray in hauling the dead to the trenches. He took the fever, but, through the efforts of a trained nurse, survived. In 1846 he came to Cranberry township, Butler county, and married Mrs. Catharine Noss, *nee* Zehner, widow of George Noss, who then had two children: Catharine, since deceased, and Frederick, a carpenter and mill owner of Unionville, Beaver county. Mr. Young and wife were acquaintances in the Fatherland. In 1853, after residing near Zelienople for a few years, he bought 110 acres in Connoquenessing township, to which he later added forty acres. By hard work and persistent industry he brought this land to a high state of cultivation. In 1890 oil was found on this farm, the production of which has since been valuable. Neither Mr. Young nor his wife lived to see what the earth beneath them contained. He died died May 28, 1878, in the sixty-sixth year of his age. His wife died April 1, 1884, in her sixty-ninth year. Their children consisted of four boys and three girls, viz.: Mary, who died in early youth; Adam, who was accidentally strangled to death while swinging in the barn, during the absense from home of his parents; Caroline, wife of John Flinner; Henry, who married Louisa, a daughter of Martin Beam; Sophia; Charles, who married Mary, a daughter of Casper Frishkorn, and Edwin. Mr. Young was an elder in the United Presbyterian church for several years, and in politics, an adherent of the Democratic party.

Edwin Young, youngest in the family of Adam and Catharine Young, was born upon his present farm in Connoquenessing township, October 17, 1860. By his parents will the old homestead was divided between himself and his brother Charles. He afterwards purchased his brother's interest and is now the sole owner. Mr. Young married Caroline Frishkorn, a daughter of Casper Frishkorn, of Lancaster township, a sister of his brother Charles' wife, and has four children, viz.: William G.; Norman C.; Clara E., and Ida Mary. He is an elder in the German Reformed church of Zelienople, and in politics, a Democrat. Mr. Young is a successful and progressive farmer, and has his farm well supplied with the latest improved machinery.

Irwin Anderson was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, October 11, 1820, the eighth son in a family of ten children. He was a son of Robert Anderson, a soldier of the Revolution, descended from a pioneer family of Lancaster county, whither they had emigrated from Ireland prior to the Revolution. After the war had ended, Robert settled in Allegheny county, about seven miles from Allegheny, where he followed farming until his death. Irwin was reared upon his father's farm until he was seventeen years of age, and then went to Pittsburg, where he learned the blacksmith's trade. He followed his trade in that city until 1843, afterwards engaged in farming, and in 1853 purchased a farm in Forward township, Butler county, upon which he lived twelve years. In 1865 he bought a farm of 107 acres in Connoquenessing township, now owned by his son William, upon which he died, October 12, 1892. He married Mary, daughter of Andrew Wible, of Allegheny county, and was the father of five children: Edward; Mary J., who died in infancy; William; Joseph, who removed to Michigan in 1869, married Lydia M. Williams the same year, and died in 1874, leaving a widow and two sons, William I., and John G.; and

Ira Stauffer

Catherine W., who married Aaron Shontz, of Harmony, December 1, 1870, and is the mother of five children, viz.: Mary E.; Clara S.; Luella B;. Catherine A., and Myrtle M. Mrs. Anderson resides with her son William in Connoquenessing township. Politically, Mr. Anderson was an ardent Republican, and always manifested an interest in public affairs.

William Anderson was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, December 5, 1847, received a common school education, and has been engaged in farming since boyhood. He is the owner of two farms, one containing 107 acres, and another of sixty-two acres, and also owns a tract of fifteen acres near Petersville, all of which he cultivates. He has ten producing wells upon the first mentioned place, which are operated by the Forest Oil Company. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as school director, and collector in his township. He is a prominent member of the United Presbyterian church, and a liberal contributor toward that denomination. He married Sarah Dambacher, a daughter of Frederick Dambacher, October 14, 1869, and to this union have been born the following children: Bertha E., wife of Mead Eyman; Laura; John H.; Presley C.; Joseph H.; Ann M., and Rose E.

Peter Rader, son of John and Margaret (Gleinhentz) Rader, was born in Germany, in the year 1823. His parents had three children, viz.: Elizabeth; Peter, and Adam. The last mentioned lives in Germany, where the parents lived and died. The father died in 1882, and the mother in 1884. The subject of this sketch grew to manhood in his native land, there married Catherine Hartman, and immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1851, settling near Middle Lancaster. He purchased a farm of fifty acres, lived upon it for five years, then sold it and bought 160 acres in Connoquenessing township, near Petersville, where he has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He is also interested in oil producing, having twenty-four wells upon his farm. They were formerly operated by W. A. Clark & Company of Butler, but are now controlled by the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Rader and wife are members of the German Reformed church of Petersville, in which he has filled the office of elder. Politically, he is a Democrat, and gives his earnest support to the principles and measures of that party.

Matthias Rasely, son of Henry Rasely, a native of eastern Pennsylvania, was born in the eastern part of this State, January 12, 1817, there grew to maturity and learned the tailor's trade, which he followed for nearly twenty years. He was married to Priscilla Fairchild, February 22, 1840. She was born August 31, 1821, and became the mother of the following children by this union: William H., who married Caroline T. Purviance, January 5, 1864, and died June 29, 1865; Anna A., wife of Robert W. Stewart; Laura Jane, who first married Calvin Dietrich, and is now the wife of Henry Dersheimer; Solomon Fairchild, who died June 22, 1858; George J., who married Priscilla A. Miller; Margaret E., wife of Alfred Sarver; Presley R., who died June 9, 1858; John R., who died January 31, 1864, and Harvey W. The last mentioned was born upon the homestead, October 17, 1861, and has always resided thereon. Since his father's death he has had charge of the farm, his mother residing with him. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religious belief, a Presbyterian. Matthias Rasely set-

tled upon a farm in Connoquenessing township, upon which he resided until his death, February 12, 1892, aged seventy-five years.

Michael Bieghley was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1814, son of George Bieghley, who settled in what is now Lancaster township, Butler county, near the site of Middle Lancaster, prior to 1800. He was reared upon his father's farm, and received a meager education in a pioneer subscription school near his home. In 1838 he married Catherine Shanor, a daughter of Abraham Shanor, of Muddy Creek township, and is the father of nine children, as follows: Susannah, wife of Samuel Moyer; Abraham; Christina, wife of J. G. McKinley; Aaron; Levi, deceased; Harriet, wife of Joseph Rodenbaugh; Amos; Lydia, deceased, and Mary, wife of Andrew Wier. Mr. Bieghley is living upon the farm settled by his father, and is one of the oldest residents of Lancaster township. He is a member of the English Lutheran church, and in politics, is an adherent of the Republican party. He has filled the office of township supervisor, and in his early manhood was a member of the State Militia.

William Beighle was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1790, spent his early life upon his father's farm, and received a good common school education. He was an apt scholar, and devoted himself assiduously to his studies, with the intention of becoming a teacher, in which ambition he succeeded. He came to Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1811, and taught school for eleven years. He married Magdalena Myers, whose parents lived in Butler county, and soon after returned to his early home in Westmoreland county, where he resided about one year. He again came to Muddy Creek township, and settled upon his father-in-law's farm, following agriculture in summer and teaching school in winter. In 1825 he purchased a farm in Lancaster township, now the property of his son, Cornelius S., and resided upon it until his removal to Middle Lancaster, where he served as postmaster for a number of years, being the first incumbent of that office. His wife died in 1854, and in 1856 he removed to Adams county, Ohio, where he died in 1868, aged seventy-eight years. He was the father of eleven children, as follows: Joseph, deceased; Sarah, who married Samuel Moore, and subsequently Jacob Savage; Daniel; Rebecca, deceased wife of James Matthews; William; Conrad, deceased; Jemima, wife of J. D. Baumgardner; Cornelius S.; Rosanna; Miriam, and Lafayette, the last three of whom are dead. Mr. Beighle and wife were members of the Lutheran church, in which denomination he filled the office of deacon. Politically, he was first a Whig, and afterwards a Republican.

Cornelius S. Beighle, son of William and Magdalena Beighle, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1825, was reared upon his father's farm, and remained at home until 1844, when he went to Prospect to learn the wagon-maker's trade, with J. D. Baumgardner, and remained there until 1848. He then located at Middle Lancaster, where he followed his trade until the spring of 1855, when he settled upon the homestead farm, of 116 acres, and for the past thirty-nine years has followed agriculture. In 1849 he married Elizabeth Berkel, and they are the parents of the following children: Agnes, deceased; Edmund L.; Mary L., wife of Lome Shaner; Clara C., wife of Campfield

Shaner; John A. C.; Austin C., and Willie B., deceased. Mrs. Beighle died May 17, 1878, and January 21, 1875, he married Mrs. Sarah Kirker. Mr. Beighle and family are members of the English Lutheran church, in which he has filled the offices of deacon and elder, and has been superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty years. In politics, he is a Republican.

SAMUEL MYERS, son of John Myers, was born in Virginia, in 1793, was reared upon his father's farm, and then came to Butler county, where he married Mary M. Bieghley, a daughter of John and Catherine Bieghley, of Connoquenessing township. He resided for a time in Lancaster township, upon a farm of 100 acres of land given him by his father-in-law, and afterwards purchased 150 acres in Connoquenessing township. Here he engaged in farming to the time of his death, which occurred in 1882. His wife died in 1886, They reared a family of six children, as follows: Esther, deceased wife of Adam Rosebaugh; Rebecca, deceased wife of Slemens Morrison; Conrad; Sarah; Rachel, and Luther. Mr. Myers and wife were members of the Lutheran church, in which denomination he filled the offices of deacon and elder. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. Politically, he was a Republican.

CONRAD MYERS was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1820, son of Samuel and Mary M. Myers. He lived with his parents, engaged in the duties of the farm, until his marriage to Emeline Peffer, a daughter of Jacob and Catherine Peffer. After his marriage he resided with his parents for one year, then settled on his present homestead of sixty acres in Lancaster township, upon which he has since lived. He is the father of three children, viz.: Anna L., deceased wife of William Reed; Isaac Newton, and Samuel F. Mr. Myers and wife are members of the Lutheran church and he has served as deacon and elder for a number of years. Politically, he is a Republican.

WILLIAM BELLIS was born in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, in 1790, was reared upon his father's farm in that county, and at the age of twenty-two came to Butler county, and settled upon a farm in Jackson township. He married Mary Waldron, and two years afterwards removed to Lancaster township, where he resided until his death, in 1851. His wife survived him twenty-five years, and died in 1876. He cleared and improved his farm in Lancaster township, and at his death it became the property of his son Isaac. William and Mary Bellis were the parents of seven children, as follows: Mary, widow of Philip Blinn; Sarah, deceased wife of George Shaffer; Rebecca, deceased wife of Jacob Burry; Isaac; Magdalene, wife of Henry Rice; Deborah, and Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Stauffer. The parents were members of the German Reformed church, in which body Mr. Bellis filled the offices of deacon and trustee. He was one of the organizers of the old Economite church, at Harmony. Politically, he was a Democrat, and a stanch adherent to the principles of that party.

ISAAC BELLIS, only son of William and Mary Bellis, was born upon the homestead in Jackson township, Butler county, in 1824. removed with his parents to Lancaster township, and lived with them down to his father's death, when the homestead of fifty acres was inherited by him. To this he has added fifty acres, and has resided upon this farm ever since. In 1850 he was married to Sarah Stauffer, a daughter of Henry and Susan Stauffer, to which union have

been born the following children: Henry; Calvin; John; Sarah; Susan, (the last three of whom are dead); Maria, wife of Edward Moyer; Isaac; Edward; Zelia, and Nettie. Mr. Bellis and wife are members of the German Reformed church, in which he is a deacon. He is a Democrat, in politics, and has filled the offices of school director, assessor and supervisor in his township.

Henry D. Ziegler was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1847, son of Andrew and Deborah (Moyer) Ziegler. His father was born in Jackson township in 1827, learned the cabinet-maker's trade, which he followed for ten years, and afterwards engaged at the carpenter's trade. Andrew Ziegler married Deborah Moyer, who became the mother of four children, viz: Henry D.; John C., deceased; Samuel, and Julia A., wife of Andrew Wier. The family were connected with the German Reformed church. The subject of this sketch learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and has followed that business the greater part of his life. In 1869 he married Louisa Moritz, and they are the parents of the following children: Harry A., who is in the furniture and undertaking business at Portersville; Pierce W.; Oliver W.; Howard E., deceased; Pearl L,; Clarence L, and Blanche V., deceased. In 1880 he engaged in the undertaking business at Middle Lancaster, which he still carries on, and has also a similar establishment, with furniture, at Harmony. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of the I. O. O. F., the Royal Arcanum, and the Jr. O. U. A. M. He is a deacon in the English Lutheran church, to which society his family also belong.

John Boyer was a son of John Boyer of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, who came to Butler county with his family in 1814, and settled one mile north of Harmony. He purchased several hundred acres of land, most of which he divided between his sons, John, George, Jacob and Henry, all of whom sold out and moved away except the eldest. The subject of this sketch was married before he came to Butler county, and received two hundred acres of the lands purchased by his father, upon which he settled and lived for many years. He finally removed to Harmony, where he died in 1860, aged seventy-four years. His wife survived him sixteen years, and died in 1876. They were the parents of the following children: Lydia, wife of Joseph Lutz; Sarah, deceased; Isaac L.; Henry; Susan; Samuel; Daniel, and Jacob, the last three of whom are dead. The parents were members of the Mennonite church, and in politics, Mr. Boyer was a Republican.

Isaac L. Boyer, eldest son of John Boyer, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, in 1818, worked upon a farm with his father in boyhood, and afterwards learned the carpenter's trade, which he has followed all his life. He settled upon a farm in Lancaster township in 1841, and is still a resident of the same subdivision. Mr. Boyer married Mary Rice, and they are the parents of fourteen children, as follows: John R.; Henry, deceased; Elias; Isaac; Levi; Susan, deceased; Agnes; Ranius; Josephine; Jessie; Abraham L.; Sydney; Ira, and Elizabeth. Mr. Boyer and wife are members of the German Reformed church. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled the office of justice of the peace.

JOHN R. BOYER, eldest son of Isaac L. and Mary Boyer, was born upon his father's farm in Lancaster township, in 1838, and resided with his parents until 1859, in which year he married Sophia Dambach. Soon after his marriage he purchased a farm of sixty-five acres in Connoquenessing township, lived upon it for seven or eight years, then removed to Harmony and engaged in the hotel business for a short time. He next purchased 140 acres of land in Jackson township, upon which he resided for six years, then sold out and bought his present homestead in Lancaster township, consisting of 218 acres. Mr. Boyer is one of the leading farmers of his township; his farm lays in the oil belt, and some developments have taken place thereon. By his marriage to Sophia Dambach, he is the father of the following children: Austin; Lizetta, wife of Edward Shali; William; Adam; Mary A., wife of Jesse Rice; Sarah; Aggie, deceased; Nettie, and George W., deceased. Mr. Boyer and wife are members of the German Reformed church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum.

JOHN SCOTT was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1782, son of William Scott, a native of the same city, and by trade a shoemaker, who immigrated with his family to Philadelphia in 1783, worked at his trade in that city for fifteen years, and then removed to a farm in Lawrence county. William Scott purchased 200 acres, and was among the pioneers of western Pennsylvania. He died upon his farm in Lawrence county at an advanced age. He was a ruling elder of the Seceder church, and one of the founders of that society at Moundville, Lawrence county. He was the father of the following children: John; Jane, who married Robert White; Nancy, who married Samuel Stewart; Elizabeth, who married Thomas Moore; Annie, who married Alexander Morrison; Margaret, who became the wife of James Young, and William. All of the foregoing are dead. The subject of this sketch was only one year old when his parents settled in Philadelphia. He learned the shoemaker's trade with his father and removed with him to Lawrence county, where he assisted him to clear the homestead farm. In 1805 he married Rachel Morrison, who became the mother of nine children, viz.: William; Mrs. Nancy Moore; Mrs. Elizabeth Morrison; Mrs. Rosa Kirker; Mrs. Jane Morrison; John; Mary; Francis M., and Mrs. Margaret Wright. About 1820 John Scott and family removed to Lancaster township, Butler county, and settled upon the farm where his son Francis M. now lives. Here his wife died in 1841, and himself in 1865. They were members of the Seceder church, and in politics, he was a Democrat, and an ardent Abolitionist. He served at Erie during the War of 1812.

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, son of John and Rachel Scott, was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1821. He was reared on the homestead farm, and lived with his parents until 1844, when he married Mary Luebben, of Lancaster township, purchased the homestead from his father, and has since resided upon it. Five children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Elizabeth C., deceased; Theodore, a missionary in India; Walter; Mary, and John. Mr. Scott is a Republican, in politics, but takes no active interest in political matters. He is an elder in the United Presbyterian church, also superintendent of the Sabbath school.

Frederick Peffer was born in Germany, there married, and in 1817, soon after his marriage, immigrated to the United States, and settled near Harmony, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in the fall of 1819. He died in 1866, and his wife in 1846. He was a tailor, and followed that business at Harmony down to his death. He was the father of three children, as follows: Frederick; Mary, who married Jacob Swain, and John Gottlieb, all of whom are dead.

John Gottlieb Peffer, son of Frederick Peffer, was born in Dettingen, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, August 8, 1801, and came to the United States with his parents in the fall of 1817. Two years later the family came to Butler county and settled near Harmony, where he followed tailoring with his father. In 1825 he married Rebecca Reiss, of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and about eight years later removed to a farm which he purchased in what is now Lancaster township. He continued in agricultural pursuits to the close of his life, dying on his farm in 1865. His widow survived until 1888. They were members of the German Lutheran church and assisted in the erection of the stone church at Zelienople. Ten children were born to them, as follows: Frederick, a resident of Oregon; William. of Lancaster township; John R., of Jackson township; Gottlieb, who resides at Tarentum; Mary, wife of Christian Texter; Rebecca, wife of Michael Ziegler; Joseph, a resident of Lancaster township; Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Fleming; Emeline, wife of Peter Scheidemantle, and Frank, of Beaver Falls.

John R. Peffer was born in Connoquenessing, now Jackson, township, Butler county, August 31, 1830, and is the third son of John Gottlieb and Rebecca Peffer. After receiving a common school education, he engaged in farming, which he has followed up to the present time. In 1855 he married Catherine, a daughter of Andrew Ziegler, of Jackson township, and in 1859 he located on his present farm in that township. He is the father of three children: Alfred Z., born July 11, 1856, married Adelia, daughter of Frederick Dambach, in 1886, and has two children: Howard F., and John L.; Mary, wife of Israel Wise, of Harmony, who has one child, John L.; and Elmer Z., a contractor of Wilkinsburg. Politically, Mr. Peffer is a Republican. The family are members of the Reformed church at Harmony, in which Mr. Peffer has served as deacon and elder.

Joseph Peffer, son of John Gottlieb and Rebecca Peffer, was born in 1840, in Lancaster township, Butler county. He worked upon his father's farm until 1862, when he married Elizabeth, a daughter of Jacob and Susan Stamm, of Evans City. He then bought a farm of 190 acres in Jackson township, lived there five years, when he purchased his present homestead in Lancaster township. He also owns another farm of 160 acres in Lancaster, which is operated on shares by Samuel Moyer. There are five wells upon his farm, from which he derives a handsome income. To Joseph and Elizabeth Peffer have been born the following children: Austin; Mary; Naomi; Delmar; Laura, (the last four mentioned are dead); Susan; Rebecca; Titus; Findley; Jacob, and Judith. The family are connected with the Reformed church, and in politics, Mr. Peffer is a stanch Republican.

JOSEPH POWELL, SR., was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1798, learned the blacksmith's trade in his native county, and before reaching his majority removed with his parents to Beaver county. He there married Sophia Bonzo, of that county, and continued working at his trade for some five years after his marriage. He then purchased a farm of seventy-five acres in Beaver county, where he resided for a period of thirty years. At the end of this time he bought a farm in Lancaster township, Butler county, now the home of his son Joseph, settled upon it and lived there until his death, in 1870. His wife died in 1879. They were the parents of the following children: Peter; Joseph; Margaret, deceased wife of George Teets; Charley, who died in the army; Mary; Jane; John; Edward; Lizzie, and Bell, deceased. Mr. Powell and wife were members of the Baptist church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

JOSEPH POWELL, son of Joseph and Sophia Powell, was born in Beaver county, in 1827. His youthful days were spent upon his father's farm, and he came with his parents to Lancaster township. When his father died he inherited the old homestead, consisting of 120 acres of land, near the village of Middle Lancaster, where he has since been engaged in farming. In 1856 he married Susan Moyer, and they are the parents of fourteen children, as follows: Tillie, wife of James Mercer; Agnes, wife of John Wier; William; James; Julia A., deceased; Samuel; Bell, wife of Charles Crawford; Nettie, wife of Samuel Bauder; Celia; Curtis; Joseph; Sophia, deceased, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Powell is a member of the German Reformed church, and politically, he is a Republican.

JACOB STAUFFER was born in Germany, there grew to manhood and married Mary Hoch, and immigrated to Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of six children, as follows: Henry, deceased; David; Maria, wife of Jacob Latshaw; Jacob; Nancy, deceased wife of Moses Shontz, and Sarah, wife of Isaac Shontz. Mr. Stauffer removed with his family to the vicinity of Harmony, Butler county, where he purchased 200 acres of land, and resided upon it until his death. He lived to a very advanced age. He was a member of the Mennonite church, and in politics, an adherent of the Republican party.

HENRY STAUFFER, eldest in the family of Jacob and Mary Stauffer, was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, worked at farming until he was of age, and subsequently engaged in droving cattle, which business he followed the remainder of his life. He came with his parents to Butler county, and settled near Harmony, where he died in 1874. His widow married Abraham Stauffer, now a resident of Harmony. Henry Stauffer and wife were the parents of ten children, as follows: Rosa, who married Rev. C. F. Hartung; Mary, deceased wife of L. M. Covert; Ira; Elizabeth, wife of D. M. Ziegler; Lydia, wife of Andrew Bachman, of Ogle county, Illinois; Eranius, a resident of North Dakota; Levi; Sarah, and Emma, the last three of whom are dead; Henry, a Methodist minister residing in Ohio, and Birdie, wife of Daniel Rosenberg.

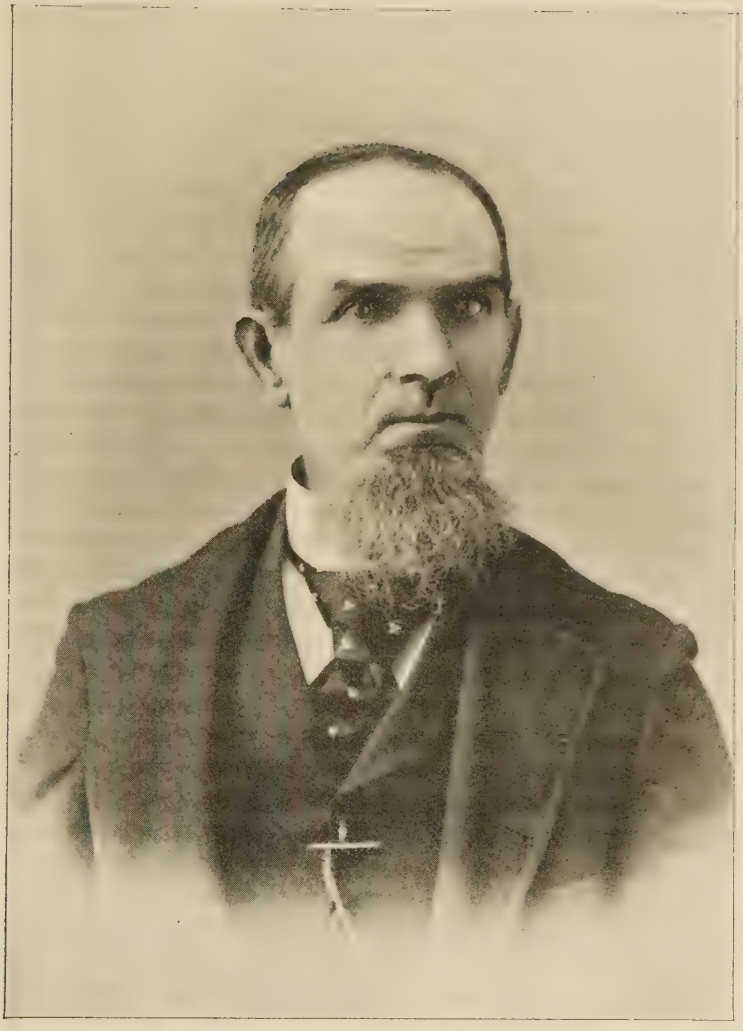
IRA STAUFFER, eldest son of Henry Stauffer, was born in Harmony, Butler county, December 27, 1844, and has been engaged in farming all his life. He served in Company H, Fifth Pennsylvania Artillery, and participated in the

battles of Piedmont, Manassas Junction, and other engagements, and was honorably discharged in 1865. He was married September 20, 1868, to Barbara Stauffer, a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Stauffer, who resided upon the farm now owned by our subject. After his marriage he purchased 200 acres of land in Lancaster township, and has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. Ten children were born by his marriage to Barbara Stauffer, seven of whom are living, as follows: Henry; Eliza, wife of Elmer H. Sloan; Samuel; Charles; Barbara; Ira, and Birdie. The deceased are Abraham, Sarah and John. Mrs. Stauffer died July 20, 1886, and he was again married June 19, 1887, to Mrs. Jennie McBride, *nee* Brown. Both he and wife are members of the German Reformed church, in which he fills the offices of elder and deacon. He is also a member of the G. A. R., the Royal Arcanum, and the Farmers' Alliance, and in politics, he is a stanch Republican. Mr. Stauffer makes dairy farming and stock-raising a specialty, and is one of the prosperous and progressive farmers of Lancaster township.

John Warner was born in Germany in the year 1800, was apprenticed to the stonecutter's trade, and after learning it followed that business in his native land. He married Mary C. Wells, also a native of Germany, and soon after his marriage immigrated to Allegheny, Pennsylvania, where he found employment at his trade. He remained there but a short time, then purchased a small farm near where Braddock now stands, lived upon it for several years, then moved to Butcher's Run and later to Pine Creek. In 1854 he settled on a farm near Millerstown, Butler county, where he died, July 27, 1861. His wife died January 29, 1861. They were the parents of six children, viz.: Mary, who married Henry Muhlenberg, and afterwards a Mr. Wise; John; Charles; Catherine, widow of Samuel Stewart; Peter, and William. In religious belief, Mr. Warner was a Presbyterian, and in politics, a Democrat.

Charles Warner, second son of John and Mary C. Warner, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1836, and was reared upon his father's farm near Braddock, and on the homestead near Millerstown. He worked at farming until 1862, and then enlisted in Company F, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until the close of the war. The most important engagements in which he participated were Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek, and Petersburg. In 1865 he returned to Butler county, then went to Pithole, Venango county, remained there only a short time, and then located in Millerstown. In 1866 he married Margaret Hemphill, and resided in Millestown until 1875, when he settled upon his present farm of 250 acres, in Lancaster township, where he has since been engaged in general farming. Mr. Warner is the father of four children, viz.: Mary, wife of Frank Neely; Emma J., wife of Andrew Eiler; William J., and Jacob F. The family are connected with the German Reformed church, in which Mr. Warner has held most of the important offices. He is a stanch Democrat, has been a school director of Lancaster township for eleven years, and is one of the representative farmers of Butler county.

John Scheidemantle was born in Germany, in 1817, there learned the shoemaker's trade, and subsequently served five years in the German army. After leaving the service he married Elizabeth Moyer, and immigrated to Butler



Charles Warner

county, Pennsylvania, in 1848, where he settled upon a farm in Lancaster township. He afterwards purchased a farm of seventy-five acres in Muddy Creek township, resided upon it for nineteen years, and then removed to a farm of 120 acres in Lancaster township, which has ever since been his home. He is the father of nine children, seven of whom grew to maturity, as follows: John; Elizabeth, widow of Conrad Shuler; George; Mary, wife of William Barkley; William; Maggie, wife of Lewis Eichholtz, and Caroline, wife of Philip Koch. The family are connected with the German Reformed church, in which Mr. Scheidemantle has filled the offices of elder and treasurer. Politically, he is a Democrat.

William Scheidemantle, son of John and Elizabeth Scheidemantle, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1853, grew to manhood upon his father's farm, and married Lena Garwig. He removed with his parents to Lancaster township, and now resides upon the homestead farm with his father. William and Lena Scheidemantle are the parents of six children, viz.: Charley E.: William H.; Sadie E.; Ida May; Birdie, and Annie L. They are members of the German Reformed church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

George Scheidemantle, Sr., was born in Germany, son of John and Elizabeth Scheidemantle, and was twelve years of age when his parents settled in Lancaster township, Butler county. He was reared beneath the parental roof, and worked upon the homestead farm until his marriage to Margaret Flinner, in 1858. She was a daughter of John and Annie (Rader) Flinner, and came with her parents from Germany to Lancaster township, Butler county. Soon after his marriage Mr. Scheidemantle purchased a farm in Muddy Creek township, upon which he resided some three years, and then removed to the farm in Lancaster township now owned by his son George, where he died in 1877. He was a member of the German Reformed church, and an elder in that body for many years. In politics, he was a Democrat. His widow resides with her son upon the homestead farm. They were the parents of ten children, viz.: George; Mary S., wife of Paul Allen; Conrad; John, and John Jr., both deceased; Annie; Edward; Albert; Andrew, and Peter, the last deceased.

George Scheidemantle, eldest son of George and Margaret Scheidemantle, was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1859, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm. In 1886 he married Emma Scheel, of Lancaster township, to which union have been born four children, viz: Annie; Clyde A.; Earl, and Ralph E. Mr. Scheidemantle inherited the homestead at his father's death, and his mother and grandmother reside with him. He is a member of the German Reformed church, and is quite an active worker in the Republican party.

John Flinner, Sr., was born in Germany, in 1802, and worked upon his father's farm until his marriage to Annie Rader, also a native of Germany. For fifteen years after his marriage he was engaged in a distillery near his home, at the end of which time he immigrated to Pennsylvania and settled upon a tract of 400 acres of land in Lancaster township, Butler county. He made many improvements upon this property, and resided there until his death, in 1861. Thirteen children were born to John and Annie Flinner, ten of whom grew to maturity,

as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Casper Frishkorn; Catherine, wife of Fred Miller; Margaret, widow of George Scheidemantle, Sr.; John; Michael; George; Philip; Mary, wife of Peter Miller; Venie, and Henry. Mr. Flinner was a prominent member of the German Lutheran church, and served as an elder in that organization for a number of years. In early days he was a Democrat, and subsequently a Republican. His aged widow resides with her daughter, Mrs. George Scheidemantle.

PHILLIP FLINNER, fourth son of John and Annie Flinner, was born in Lancaster township, Butler county, in 1858. He was reared upon his father's farm, and lived with his parents until his marriage to Amelia Kristophel, when he located on a part of the homestead, consisting of ninety acres, given to him by his father. He subsequently purchased 110 acres adjoining, and is now the owner of a well improved farm of 200 acres, lying about half a mile from Middle Lancaster. He is the father of the following children: Elizabeth; Frederick; Ida; Jacob; Della, and Charley, the last deceased. The family are connected with the German Reformed church. Politically, he is a Democrat, has served as auditor for two terms, and also filled the office, of collector and assessor. He is a member of Middle Lancaster Lodge, Number 648, I. O. O. F., of which he was one of the organizers. Mr. Flinner gives particular attention to stock-raising, having now upon his farm 200 head of sheep, which has proved a profitable investment.

JOHN FLINNER, eldest son of John and Annie Flinner, was born in Germany, in 1833, came to the United States with his parents, who settled in Lancaster township, Butler county, where John grew to manhood. The old homestead is now owned by the eldest son of our subject. He attended the common schools of Lancaster township and worked upon his father's farm until the death of the latter, when he inherited a portion of the original homestead. In 1858 he married Christina Heyl, a daughter of Martin and Christina Heyl, to which union have been born the following children: Annie; Mary, wife of Walter Boyer; John; Catherine, deceased; Willie H., deceased; Albert; David; Samuel A.; and Lydia C. Mr. Flinner cultivates the farm of 100 acres upon which he lives, and also owns another farm of 108 acres in Muddy Creek township. Politically, he is a Democrat, has filled the office of supervisor, and has always taken a commendable interest in public affairs. He is one of the prosperous and enterprising farmers of his township.

LEWIS SHIEVER was born in Germany, in 1825, son of George and Mary (Gallagher) Shiever, also natives of that country. His parents immigrated to Beaver county, Pennsylvania, in 1831, settled upon a farm and died there in 1861, and 1859, respectively. They were members of the Lutheran church, and had a family of six children, as follows: Andrew; Lewis; Michael; Henry, deceased; Margaret, deceased, and Caroline. Lewis resided with his parents in Beaver county, and worked upon the farm until he arrived at maturity. He then purchased sixty-two acres of land in Beaver county, and married Elizabeth Nipp, of the same county, to which union four children were born, as follows: Sidney; Sarah, wife of Calvin Bellis; Annie, and Venie. Mrs. Shiever died in 1873, and in 1882 he married Elizabeth Ziegler. After his first marriage he purchased a

farm of 127 acres of land in Lancaster township, Butler county, upon which he settled and has since resided. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and an elder in that denomination. In politics, Mr. Shiever is a Republican, and one of the progressive farmers of his township.

CHAPTER LXXIV.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

SLIPPERY ROCK TOWNSHIP AND CENTREVILLE BOROUGH—MERCER TOWNSHIP AND HARRISVILLE BOROUGH—WORTH AND BRADY TOWNSHIPS—FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND PROSPECT BOROUGH—MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP AND PORTERSVILLE BOROUGH.

ZEBULON COOPER, SR., was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1778, a son of Zebulon Cooper, a native of New Jersey, who removed to Washington county at an early day. The subject of this sketch grew to maturity in his native county, and in 1796 accompanied his uncle, Nathaniel Cooper, to Butler county. They purchased a tract of 500 acres of land in what is now Slippery Rock township, situated on both sides of Wolf creek, upon which they settled in 1798. Zebulon retained 390 acres, and his uncle the balance. He built a log cabin on the site of the residence of his son, Sylvanus Cooper, and later in life erected the present home. The old log house was moved back, and is still doing service as an out-building. Upon this farm he spent the remaining years of his life. After making his settlement and erecting a cabin, he returned to Washington county and married Sarah Bean, to whom were born the following children: Elizabeth, deceased wife of T. J. McNees; John, who died near Whitestown; Mary, deceased wife of Thomas McNees; Rebecca, who died May 31, 1894; Anna; Sarah, deceased wife of Robert S. Andrews; Zebulon, of Worth township; Jerusha, wife of William Bigham; Hannah, deceased wife of Sylvester Carey, and Sylvanus. Mrs. Cooper died in 1830, and her husband, August 24, 1864. They were members of Plain Grove Presbyterian church, and are buried in the graveyard belonging to that society. In politics, he was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican.

SYLVANUS COOPER, youngest child of Zebulon and Sarah Cooper, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, August 10, 1822, and has spent his entire life upon the old homestead. He obtained his education in the common schools, and has made farming his life vocation. In 1853 he married Susannah Thorpe, who died in 1864, leaving a family of six children, viz.: Oliver N.; John A.; Charlotte M., wife of Prof. William McGee; George W.; Mary J., wife of Lee Musick, and Ida A. Mr. Cooper married for his second wife Mrs.

Sarah R. Cummings, a daughter of John Neal, deceased. Both he and wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has filled several of the township offices, and is one of the leading and enterprising farmers of the community.

John Neal was born in Erie county, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1801, son of John Neal, a native of Germany, and one of the pioneers of that county. He grew to manhood in Erie county, and in 1820 came to Butler county and settled near Centreville, in Slippery Rock township. His father also settled in this township, upon 200 acres of land, where he died in 1847, aged eighty years, leaving the following children: Catherine; Ann, who married Joseph McDermott; Elizabeth, who married Enoch Perrine; Nancy, who married Joseph McCoy; John; James, who married Eliza McCallan, and Smith, who married Mary McConnell, all of whom are dead. John Neal, Jr., married Johanna Stillwagon, in December, 1825, and their children were as follows: Alexander; Mary; William; Smith; George W.; Oliver P.; Joseph M.; Johanna E.; Lewis J.; Vance R.; James; Margaret; John, and Sarah R., wife of Sylvanus Cooper. Mr. Neal moved to Sheboygan, Wisconsin, in April, 1850, where his wife died in 1859. He married for his second wife Mrs. Mary Ann Davis, who became the mother of two children, David Alfred, and Nancy Jane, both of whow are residents of Wisconsin. Mr. Neal was one of the early justices of the peace, a Democrat, in politics, and a member of the Seceder church. He died in Wisconsin, in 1874.

Zebulon Cooper was born in the old log cabin on his father's farm in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, April 14, 1816, a son of Zebulon and Sarah Cooper. He was reared upon the homestead, and attended the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. He remained with his parents until he was thirty years of age, assisting his father on the farm, and in 1846 settled on 109 acres of the same tract, which his father gave him. He resided on this place for nine years, then sold it and purchased 120 acres in Worth township, to which he later added 180 acres, which includes the site of his present home. Here he has resided for nearly forty years engaged in farming. Mr. Cooper was married on July 2, 1857, to Amanda Leslie, a daughter of Francis Leslie, of Slippery Rock township. She was born October 15, 1827, and was the second youngest in a family of ten children, four of whom are living. Seven children have blessed this union, viz.: Francis M., who lives upon a part of the homestead, married Jane Henry, and has three children, Pearl A., William Z. and Minnie I.; Sarah E., wife of J. G. Grossman, of Worth township; William E., who married Mary Allsworth, and lives on a part of the home farm; Hannah E., who died at the age of twenty-six years; Thomas U.; James H., and Joseph H. The family are members of the Presbyterian church, with the exception of Thomas, James and William, who belong to the Baptist denomination. Mr. Cooper is one of the oldest and most prosperous citizens in the township, and is highly respected by the community at large.

Nathaniel Cooper, Sr., was one of the first settlers of Slippery Rock township, Butler county. He was a native of Washington county, Pennsylvania, and in 1796 came with his nephew, Zebulon Cooper, to Butler county, and to-

gether they purchased 500 acres of land lying on both sides of Wolf creek. Nathaniel owned 110 acres of this tract, and here he erected his cabin and spent the remaining years of his life. He married a Miss Turner, and was the father of four sons, viz.: Lot, a physician, who died in Cincinnati; Nathaniel; William, and Stephen, and one daughter, Polly, who married John McGowan. All of these are dead, but numerous descendants of the family are still living in Butler county.

Nathaniel Cooper, son of Nathaniel Cooper, Sr., was born in Washington county, May 16, 1795, and came to Butler county with his parents in infancy. He was reared upon the farm in Slippery Rock township, and after arriving at maturity, he settled on the land where his grandson, Joseph Cooper, now resides, near the borough of Centreville. He married Sarah Hunter, a daughter of Ephraim Hunter, and was the father of the following children: Harvey; Lemuel; Munson; Martha; Jane; Lewis; Milton; William; John R.; Sarah, and Clarissa, all of whom are dead excepting Harvey. Mr. Cooper was one of the well known justices of the peace of his township, and filled that office some ten years. He was a member of Plain Grove Presbyterian church, and one of the original members of Centreville Presbyterian church. He was an elder for nearly half a century, and died in 1880. His first wife died June 13, 1838, and he was afterwards married to Mrs. Jane Dunlap, *nee* Walker. In politics, he was a Whig during his early life, and afterwards became a Republican.

Harvey Cooper, only living child of Nathaniel and Sarah Cooper, was born in Slippery Rock township, May 9, 1817, and was reared upon the old homestead. In 1851 he removed to Mercer county, lived there ten years, and in 1861 purchased his present farm of 160 acres, in Slippery Rock township, upon which he has since resided. He was married in 1851, to Lucinda Leslie, a daughter of Francis Leslie, of Jackson township, Butler county, and has two surviving children, viz.: Andrew L.; Sarah E., who married G. W. Hines, and died August 9, 1894, and Mary I., wife of Ashley Grossman. In politics, Mr. Cooper is a Republican, and is one of the oldest citizens of the township.

Andrew L. Cooper, son of Harvey Cooper, was born in Mercer county, February 26, 1855, and was reared in Slippery Rock township, where he is now engaged in farming on the old homestead. He married Mary E. Fulkman, a daughter of David Fulkman, of Brady township, and has three children, viz.: Earl G.; Edward I., and Howard V. Mr. Cooper is connected with the I. O. O. F., and Jr. O. U. A. M., and is a member of the Presbyterian church. Politically, he is a Republican, and is one of the leading farmers of the township.

Milton Cooper, son of Nathaniel and Sarah (Hunter) Cooper, was born on September 5, 1829, upon the farm where his father settled and where his widow and family now reside, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county. He was reared a farmer, and received such an education as the times and circumstances afforded. He spent his entire life upon the farm, and died in 1876. In 1858, he married Maria Hill, a daughter of Daniel K. Hill. Eight children were the fruits of this union, viz.: Mary E.; Joseph L.; William D., deceased; Sarah B., wife of William Christley; Clarissa C.; Francis N.; Harriet F., and Salina C. Mr. Cooper was one of the pioneer members of the Centreville Presbyterian

church, and was buried in the new cemetery in that borough. In politics, he was an ardent Republican, and a very worthy citizen.

Joseph L. Cooper, eldest son of Milton and Maria Cooper, was born in 1861, upon his present homestead, which he took charge of at his father's death. He is one of the energetic and enterprising farmers of his township, a leading member of the Republican party in Slippery Rock, and has served on the school board for two years. He is one of the original stockholders of the State Normal School, also of the Centreville Creamery Company, and gives a hearty support to every worthy enterprise. He is a member of the K. of P., of Centreville, and takes an active interest in the social and material prosperity of the community.

Thomas Bigham was born near Gettysburg, Adams county, Pennsylvania, in 1782, a son of William Bigham, who served in the Revolution, and came of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Thomas grew to manhood in his native county, and in 1806 accompanied his father and brother Hugh to Slippery Rock township, Butler county. His father purchased 400 acres of land and gave each of the sons 200 acres, and then returned to his home in Adams county. Hugh stayed about two years and then disposed of his land and went back to his early home. Some two years after making his settlement, Thomas married Elizabeth Walker, a daughter of John and Caroline Walker, of Slippery Rock township. William Bigham, the son of Thomas, now resides upon the farm settled by his father, while the lands belonging to Hugh form a part of the borough of Centreville. To Thomas and Elizabeth Bigham were born the following children: William; Ann Eliza, deceased; Sarah, deceased; Catherine M., deceased wife of Jonah Hodge; Margaret J., deceased wife of James Davidson; John, deceased; Asenath, who married Eli Beckwith, and Minerva, who married Alexander Davidson and died in Iowa. Mr. Bigham was one of the enterprising farmers of his time. He was a Whig in early life, and afterwards a Republican. He served in the War of 1812. In religion, he was an adherent of the Presbyterian church. He died in February, 1864, and both he and wife are buried in the old cemetery at Centreville.

William Bigham, the only surviving child of Thomas and Elizabeth Bigham, was born on the farm where he now resides in Slippery Rock township, September 19, 1809, and has spent his entire life in tilling the old homestead. His opportunities for obtaining an education were confined to a few months each winter at the pioneer subscription school of his neighborhood. Upon the death of his father he inherited the homestead farm, having worked, per agreement with his father, twenty-one years to pay for the same. He subsequently built the present improvements, and cleared the forest off a large portion of the land, and has to-day one of the best improved farms in his locality. On December 12, 1848, Mr. Bigham married Jerusha Cooper, a daughter of Zebulon Cooper, one of the first settlers of Slippery Rock township. Both he and wife are pioneer members of the Centreville Presbyterian church. He has been prominent in church and Sabbath school work, and has been treasurer of the society for many years. Politically, he is a Republican, and has filled the offices of school director,

assessor and collector. Mr. Bigham is known for his benevolence, and has always been ready to extend a helping hand to religious and charitable purposes.

JOHN RALSTON, SR., was born near Greensburg, Pennsylvania, in 1776, son of William Ralston, there grew to maturity, and subsequently settled in Lawrence county. In 1801 he traded his land in Lawrence county for 300 acres in Brady township, Butler county, upon which he built a cabin and settled the same year. Some time after effecting a settlement he erected a grist mill, also a saw mill, and operated them until his death, in the spring of 1850. They are now known as Croll's mills. Mr. Ralston owned 800 acres of land, which his children inherited at his death. He married Betsey Sharp, a daughter of James Sharp, who founded the village of Sharpsville, Mercer county, and their children were as follows: William, who built Ralston's mill, and died in Centre township; Jane, deceased wife of William Hoge; James, who died in Venango county; John, who died in Iowa; Elizabeth, who married John Snyder; David, a resident of Nebraska; Polly, wife of Henry Hilger; Elim, who died in Iowa; Susan, who married Henry Wolford; Samuel, who died in Slippery Rock, and George, who died in Clay township. Mr. Ralston was a soldier in the War of 1812. His descendants are numerous in Butler county, and may be found among the leading professional and business men of the community.

SAMUEL RALSTON, son of John and Betsey Ralston, was born in Brady township, Butler county, in 1813. He learned the miller's and millwright trades and was connected with his father's mill for many years, and throughout his life was more or less engaged in milling and in the erection of mills in this and adjoining counties. In 1839 he received from his father the farm now owned by his son John W., upon which he settled. He married Elizabeth Wolford, a daughter of Henry Wolford, who is still living at the age of eighty-four years. Their children are as follows: Salina B., deceased wife of Lewis Winter; Mary J., deceased; John W.; Henry, who enlisted in Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was killed at Fort Steadman; Sarah E., wife of L. S. Hall; George, deceased; Minerva, deceased; Zachariah, deceased; Samuel, and Lewis, both residents of California. Mr. Ralston died in 1865, and is buried in the old cemetery at Centreville.

JOHN W. RALSTON, eldest son of Samuel and Elizabeth Ralston, was born September 16, 1839, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county. He received a common school education and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed until 1870, and then located upon the old homestead farm, where he has since been engaged in cultivating and improving the property, which contains 100 acres. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, participating in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Petersburg, etc., and witnessed the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat, and gives an earnest support to the measures and principles of his party. In 1876 he married Sarah M. Dickey, a daughter of John Dickey.

JOHN RALSTON, JR., third son of John Ralston, Sr., was born in Brady township, Butler county, and after reaching manhood settled on 127 acres of land in that township, given to him by his father. He afterwards purchased a farm

in Slippery Rock township, and five years later removed to Iowa, where he died in 1852. He was twice married; first to Susan Mawha, of Slippery Rock township, who died in 1832, leaving two sons, Robert and John. His second wife was Nancy McLane, to whom was born the following children: William Nelson; Susan; Caroline; Elvira; Mary; Alexander, and Margaret. Mr. Ralston took an active interest in educational matters, erected the first school house in Slippery Rock township, and served as school director of Brady and Slippery Rock for many years. His eldest son, Robert, is a retired carpenter and builder, and lives with his brother John in Slippery Rock township.

JOHN RALSTON, second son of John and Susan Ralston, was born on the old homestead in Slippery Rock township, September 9, 1831. He learned the carpenter's trade, and in the spring of 1861 settled on his present farm. He is the owner of valuable farm lands in Butler county, and is one of the leading farmers of Slippery Rock township. Mr. Ralston was married in 1853, to Hannah, daughter of Alexander McCoy of Worth township, Butler county, and their children are as follows: Everett L., an attorney of Butler; Frank C., and William A., also a member of the Butler bar.

BENJAMIN CAMPBELL, deceased, son of Samuel and Mary (Graham) Campbell, was born in 1809, in Lawrence county, and grew to manhood upon the home stead farm. His father was a native of Londonderry, Ireland, immigrated to America prior to the Revolution, and while working at the blacksmith's trade near Baltimore, Maryland, joined Washington's army, and served throughout the Revolution. About 1796 he entered 400 acres of land in Plain Grove township, Lawrence county, upon which he settled and spent the remaining years of his life. His family were as follows: Alexander; James; William; Mark; Samuel; Sarah, who married Andrew Turk; Jane, who married Daniel McMillan, and Benjamin. The last mentioned settled in Mercer county, where he resided until 1850, in which year he located upon his late farm in Slippery Rock township. He married Nancy Craig, a daughter of William Craig, of Mercer county. She died on June 21, 1893, the mother of ten children, viz.: James, deceased: Josephine, wife of James Clark; Adeline, wife of Col. N. J. Maxwell; Jane, wife of C. S. Grace; Milton, who enlisted in Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was killed at the Wilderness; Agnes, widow of Newell Glenn; Ellen, wife of G. W. Wood; Martha; Mark, and William. Mr. Campbell was an elder in the Presbyterian church of Centreville, and in politics, he was a supporter of the Republican party.

SAMUEL WEAKLEY was a native of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, of English ancestry, the family being among the first settlers of that county. After reaching his maturity he removed to Mercer county, with his brothers, James and Robert, and about 1817 purchased 200 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, Butler county. He built his cabin on the farm now occupied by Mrs. Jane Brown, and spent the remaining years of his life on that property. He married Sarah Hogg, and reared three children, viz.: Robert; Jane, who married Matthew Brown, and Samuel, who married Susan Rigby, and lived and died in Slippery Rock township. Mr. Weakley was a soldier in the War of 1812. He

was a member of the Covenanter church, and is buried in the Harmony church graveyard.

Robert Weakley, eldest son of Samuel and Sarah Weakley, was born in Mercer county, September 21, 1816, and was reared in Slippery Rock township. He settled on seventy-five acres of the homestead farm, upon which he developed a coal mine, and engaged in farming and mining. He married Martha Watt, a daughter of Hugh Watt, a native of Ireland, but a resident of Slippery Rock township. To this union were born the following children: Hugh A., born January 17, 1841, served in Company I, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, was wounded at Fair Oaks and taken prisoner, spent nine months at Andersonville, was then exchanged and died at Annapolis, December 21, 1864; Sarah J., born July 9, 1843, died April 27, 1848; Samuel S., September 24, 1845, died April 5, 1848; Margaret, October 28, 1847, died December 26, 1854; Maria A., January 18, 1852, died January 4, 1855; Mary S., April 19, 1854, died January 4, 1872; John F., August 12, 1856, and Martha, June 11, 1859. Mr. Weakley died April 14, 1885, and his wife, December 24, 1892. He was a member of the Associate church, of Centreville, and in politics, he was a Republican.

John F. Weakley, son of Robert and Martha Weakley, was born upon the homestead in Slippery Rock township, August 12, 1856, was reared upon the farm and received a common school education. In 1880 he opened a coal mine on his farm, and carries on mining in connection with agriculture. Since purchasing the old homestead he has made many improvements, and erected his present residence in 1893. On June 11, 1885, he married Olive Atwell, a daughter of Robert T. Atwell, of Venango county, and has two living children: Mary E., and Gertrude. Mr. Weakley has been a Prohibitionist since 1885, before which year he was a Republican. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville, and is a member of the session.

Philip Kiester was one of the early settlers of Slippery Rock township, and a son of Philip Kiester, a native of Holland. His father came from Holland with his parents when three years old. They settled in Northampton county, where he grew to manhood, and removed to Westmoreland county prior to the Revolution, where the subject of this sketch was born and reared. The family of Philip, Sr., consisted of the following children: John; Philip; Daniel; Jacob; Peter; Michael; Elizabeth, and Katie. Philip was born in 1780, and served in the war of 1812. He was married in his native county to Margaret Shaffer, and in 1818 came to Butler county and purchased 200 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, where his son Paul now resides. Here he spent the remaining years of his life, clearing and improving his land, and died in 1863. His wife died in 1872, and both are buried in the old cemetery at Centreville. Their children's names are as follows: Jesse, and Jacob, both deceased; John; Leah, who first married George Christley, and after his death, Thomas Wilson; Sarah, deceased wife of Williamson Christie; Abraham, deceased; Paul, and Mahala, who married James Christley. Mr. Kiester, was a Republican, in politics, and in religion, an adherent of the Presbyterian church.

John Kiester, third son of Philip and Margaret Kiester, was born in Westmoreland county, July 10, 1812, and was about six years old when his parents settled in Slippery Rock township. He here grew to manhood, and obtained his education in the old log school house of pioneer days. After reaching his maturity he purchased the farm where his son George now resides, cleared and improved it, and lived there until 1864. In that year he bought 500 acres of land, including the mill property, where he has since resided. He cleared 140 acres of the tract, and built the residence now occupied by him. Besides his original purchase, Mr. Kiester owns two other farms, each containing 200 acres, and is the most extensive land owner in Slippery Rock township. He was at one time an extensive oil producer in Venango county. The Union Coke and Coal Company are now mining on his land, which brings him in a considerable income. He retired from active farming business some years ago, but devotes his time to the management of his mills and other interests. Mr. Kiester has been twice married. His first wife was Sarah Wolford, whom he married about 1836. She was a daughter of Henry Wolford, and died June 30, 1866, leaving the following children: Adaline, wife of Amos Dunbar; Monroe; Susannah, wife of John Fielding; Josiah; Margretta, wife of Jacob Gross; Sophia, deceased wife of Leach Kelly; George; John B.; Miami, wife of Jeremiah Grove; Elmina, deceased; Harner, and Amanda, wife of Frank Altis. Mr. Kiester was again married, to Mrs. Matilda Hays, a daughter of Thomas Armstrong, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland. In politics, he was first a Whig and later a Republican, and has always taken an active interest in the success of his party. Kiester station and post-office were both named in honor of this family.

Jacob Kiester, son of Philip and Margaret (Shaffer) Kiester, was born in Westmoreland county, October 20, 1809, and came with his parents to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, when about nine years of age. He remained on the homestead until arriving at his majority, and then settled upon 100 acres of land where his son Jacob S. now resides. This land was owned by a Revolutionary soldier, and was purchased by him, his brother Jesse locating on 100 acres adjoining. He resided upon this farm until his death, in 1885, spending his entire life in agricultural pursuits. He married Elizabeth Miller, and their children were as follows: Margaret, deceased wife of John McClellan; William, who died at Davis Island, New York, while serving in the United States army; Elizabeth, wife of Perry Wolford; Annie, wife of Greer McCandless; Epaphroditus, who died in Andersonville prison during the Rebellion; Eveline, wife of W. M. Humphrey; Jesse J., and Tabitha, deceased wife of Curtis Hockenberry. He married for his second wife Margaret Weakley, a daughter of James Weakley, who survives him and resides upon the old homestead. Of their three children, Jacob Shaffer survives. Mr. Kiester was a justice of the peace for many years and also filled the office of school director. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville, and in politics, a Republican.

Jacob Shaffer Kiester, only living child of Jacob and Margaret Kiester, was born January 27, 1859, upon the homestead farm in Slippery Rock township. He received a common school education, and has always resided upon the old farm. In 1888 he, with M. C. Dobson, P. A. Shannon and John Cannon,

established the Empire Brick and Tile Company, of which he is secretary and treasurer, and carried on business in the manufacture of brick and tile. In 1892 he married Bessie Morrison, a daughter of W. J. Morrison, of Slippery Rock township. Mr. Kiester is a stanch Republican. Both he and wife are connected with the United Presbyterian church at Centreville.

JESSE KIESTER, son of Philip and Margaret (Shaffer) Kiester, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1808, and came with his parents to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, when about ten years of age. After reaching his majority he settled upon 100 acres of land where his son, W. S. Kiester, resides. He cleared this farm, and engaged in keeping a tavern, which he conducted for many years. He married Margaret Wolford, a daughter of Henry Wolford, and their children were as follows: Philip, deceased; Jacob S., a member of the One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, who died in a rebel prison at Florence, North Carolina; Amelda, wife of Alexander Mortland; William H., a resident of Washington; James M., deceased; Emma, wife of John Boyles, and Winfield S. Mr. Kiester died February 1, 1888, and his wife, April 9, 1890.

PAUL KIESTER, son of Philip and Margaret Kiester, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, November 22, 1823, was reared upon the homestead, and received a limited education in the pioneer schools of his district. He remained on the homestead until 1850, and then removed to Harrisville, where he spent two years. Returning home he resumed farming, and has since followed that occupation. Upon the death of his mother he purchased the farm, which contains 130 acres of well improved land. In 1848 he married Mary Neyman, a daughter of Daniel Neyman, and their children are as follows: Oscar D.; Mary N., deceased wife of Frank Fair, and John C. F., of Washington, Pennsylvania. Mr. Kiester is a Republican, has served as school director six years, and also as collector of the township.

GEORGE CHRISTLEY was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and was a son of George and Margaret (Snyder) Christley. His father was a native of Germany, who immigrated to Reamstown, Lancaster county, about 1760, and engaged in merchandising; he there married Margaret Snyder, to whom were born four children. Two of these, George and Margaret, survived. The father died when our subject was a child, and his widow married a man named Norris, to whom she bore one daughter, Elizabeth. Norris returned to England, and was never heard of again. The mother with her three children removed to Westmoreland county, and settled near Greensburg, where she was again married, to Curtis Rook. Two sons, William and Curtis, were the fruits of this union. Margaret Christley married Fred Richard, and subsequently a man named Mattox. She survived both husbands and died at the age of ninety years at the home of her daughter, in Clarksville, Mercer county. George Christley grew to manhood in Westmoreland county, and about 1811 removed to North Liberty, Mercer county, where the remaining years of his life were spent. His family consisted of the following children: William; John; Michael; George; Samuel; Curtis; Mary, who married Stephen Cooper; Eva; Margaret, who married

John Smith; Elizabeth, who married William Fleming, and Catherine, who married Valentine Glenn.

John Christley, second son of George Christley, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1797, and removed with his parents to Mercer county in 1811. He learned the cabinetmaker's trade with his father, who followed that business in connection with farming. In 1823 he came Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and settled on a farm of 100 acres, which his father purchased for him, now the property of his son Curtis. Here he resided until his death, carrying on the cabinet trade in connection with farming. He married Mary Smith, a daughter of William Smith. She died in 1825, leaving three sons, viz.: James P.; William George, and John H. His second marriage was with Elizabeth Smith, a sister of his first wife, to which union were born the following children: Thomas F.; Mary J., who married John Hockenberry; W. Edwin, deceased; Samuel J., who was killed at Second Bull Run; Sarah E., who married E. Stevenson, and after his death John Moore; Curtis I.; Catherine F., who married William Bruce; Margaret C., who married Samuel Glenn, and Caroline B., who became the wife of William Foster. On the completion of the Pitts burg and Erie turnpike, Mr. Christley was appointed toll-keeper of the gate located near his house, which position he held as long as the road continued a toll road. He also kept a hotel, and his house was the change station for the stage and mail route between Mercer and Pittsburg. Mr. Christley was a stanch Republican, and although not a member of any church, he attended services with the Methodist Episcopal society, and was a liberal supporter of that denomination. He died in 1872.

Curtis I. Christley, youngest son of John and Elizabeth Christley, was born on the farm where he now lives, in Slippery Rock township, March 31, 1836. He was reared on the homestead, and attended the common schools of the district. In 1862 he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. He participated in the battles of South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville. At the expiration of his term of service he returned home, and subsequently purchased his present farm from his father, and is now the owner of 115 acres of well improved land. In 1874 he married Margaret E. Brannon, a daughter of Thomas Brannon, of Franklin township. Their family consists of Tirza F., an only daughter, and Fred. Mr. Christley is a stanch Republican, and has filled the offices of school director, auditor, and treasurer of his township. He is a member of Bingham Post, Number 305, G. A. R., and is a representative of one of the oldest families in the community.

John Harvey Christley, third son of John and Mary (Smith) Christley, was born in Slippery Rock township, February 18, 1824, received a good education, and in early life followed teaching. In 1852 he engaged in farming, and in 1867, in partnership with Mr. McKnight, purchased the mill property which he now operates. This partnership continued for four years, when he disposed of his interest in the mill, but subsequently bought it back, and has since operated it in connection with his farm of 400 acres. He married Mary J. Gabby, a daughter of John Gabby, and by this union they are the parents of ten children,

viz.: Margaret E.; Lillie F., deceased; Anna F.; John L.; Alice I., wife of John Moore; Florence A., wife of C. A. Atkinson; Curtis O.; Mary E.; Thomas L., and Hannah, deceased. Mr. Christley has been a life-long Republican, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which society he has filled the office of steward, and is one of the present trustees.

Michael Christley, son of George Christley, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1799, and came to Mercer county with his parents in childhood. He attended the pioneer schools of his vicinity for a short period, but in after years he acquired by observation and reading a wide knowledge of men and books. He was familiarly known as "Uncle Mike" Christley, and highly respected for his upright character and strict integrity. About 1823 he settled upon 100 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, purchased by his father, adjoining his brother John's farm. This he cleared and improved, and continued to follow agricultural pursuits until his death, in 1867. His son Neyman now resides upon the old homestead. Mr. Christley was married three times. His first wife was Rachel Beckwith, who died in 1837, the mother of the following children: Almira B., wife of E. H. Adams; Catherine, who married E. D. DeWolf, and after his death a Mr. Keniff; Joel B., of Indiana; Fidelia, deceased, and Calista, wife of W. B. Pearson. His second wife was Almira Beckwith, a sister of his first wife, who died in 1839 without issue. His third wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Wallace, a daughter of Daniel Neyman, whom he married in 1840. She survives him and resides with her son upon the old homestead. Five children were the fruits of this union, viz.: Rachel F., wife of Dr. J. B. Livingston; Neyman; Mary C., wife of W. R. Hays; Michael, deceased, and William L., a resident of Indiana. In politics, Mr. Christley was an ardent Republican, and during slavery days was a strong Abolitionist. He was one of the original members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Centreville, and filled the offices of steward, trustee and class leader.

Neyman Christley, son of Michael and Elizabeth (Wallace, *nee* Neyman) Christley, was born May 10, 1843, upon the homestead where he now resides, in Slippery Rock township. He was reared upon the farm, and received a common school education. In September, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served three years. He participated in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga, and other engagements in which his regiment served during his term of enlistment. After his return to Butler county, he followed the occupation of a carpenter for some years. In 1871 he settled upon the old homestead, and has since followed agricultural pursuits. On January 18, 1869, he married Mary A. Robb, a daughter of Josiah C. Robb, of Mercer county, to which union have been born three children, viz.: Illula S.; Ben, and Grant, who died in February, 1892. Mr. Christley is one of the trustees and original stockholders of the State Normal School, at Centreville. Politically, he is a Republican, and is a member of O. G. Bingham Post, Number 305, G. A. R., of that borough.

Cornelius Gill came with his parents from Ireland to Pennsylvania, and settled on Turtle creek, Westmoreland county. He married in that county, and resided there until 1825, in which year he came with his sons, Samuel, David and

John, to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and purchased 400 acres of land situated where Hiram M. Gill, the Patton heirs, J. C. Kerr and John Kelly now live. His homestead was the John Kelly farm, and here he spent the remaining years of his life. His wife died prior to his settlement in Slippery Rock township. He was buried in the graveyard attached to the United Presbyterian church in Worth township. His family were as follows: Arthur, who died in Westmoreland county; Samuel and David, both of whom died in Slippery Rock township; John, who died in Missouri in 1868; Jane, and Nancy, both of whom died in Westmoreland county; Maria, who married William Reed, and died in Slippery Rock township, and Martha, who died in Westmoreland county, at the age of ninety-four years.

David Gill, son of Cornelius Gill, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1801, and there learned the wheelwright's trade, which business he followed through life. He came to this county with his father, and settled upon the farm where his son, Hiram M., resides, cleared seventy-five acres during his residence thereon, and died on February 12, 1885. He married Martha McKee, a daughter of James McKee, one of the pioneers of Slippery Rock township. She survives and is living with her son Hiram M. They were the parents of the following children: Sarah B., deceased wife of James Wilson; Thomas M.; Letitia, deceased wife of Hiram Cochran; Hugh P.; Nancy, and Jasper, both of whom died in youth; James S., who enlisted in Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was killed at Spottsylvania Court House, May 12, 1864; Hiram M.; Martha, deceased, and Maria A., wife of T. F. Patton. Mr. Gill was a Democrat until 1860, and then became a Republican. He was a member of Slippery Rock United Presbyterian church, and is buried in the graveyard of that society in Worth township.

Hiram M. Gill, son of David and Martha Gill, was born upon the homestead farm in Slippery Rock township, February 12, 1844. At the age of seventeen he enlisted in Company C, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served three years and eight months. He was in the following engagements: James Island, Second Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Vicksburg, Jackson, Knoxville, etc. After his re-enlistment his regiment became a part of the Ninth Corps, Army of the Potomac, and he participated in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and Poplar Grove Church, and was with Grant at the surrender of Lee. After the war closed he returned to his home, and upon his father's death purchased the farm, which he has since made his residence. Mr. Gill was married in 1867, to Elizabeth Wilson, a daughter of David Wilson. She died in 1878, leaving four children, viz: Ina M.; Frank L., who died in 1891; Sallie V., a graduate of the State Normal School, and now engaged in teaching, and Charlie D. In 1883 Mr. Gill married Louisa Crawford, a daughter of Samuel Crawford, of Beaver county. In politics, he is a Republican, has filled the office of school director six years, and is a member of Bingham Post, G. A. R. He is president of the Creamery Company, and an active, representative citizen. Both he and wife are members of the Centreville United Presbyterian church.

JOHN DICKEY was born at Gettsyburg, Pennsylvania, in 1794, eldest son of Archie and Isabella (McGrew) Dickey. His father was a native of Down county, Ireland, and immigrated to Adams county, Pennsylvania, in 1785, and served with the forces that suppressed the Whiskey Insurrection. About 1808 he was placed in charge of the Manor lands, near Kittanning, and filled that position for some years. He married Isabella McGrew, in Chester county, and their children were as follows: John; William; Jane; James; Robert; Bell; George, and Archibald, all of whom are dead except George, who resides in Tarentum. Archibald Dickey, Sr., died at the home of his son Robert, in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county. The subject of this sketch was reared in Armstrong county, and after arriving at manhood engaged in farming in Sugar Creek township. On April 1, 1830, he purchased from the Western University 117 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, where his sons, John and David, now live. He settled upon this farm and resided there down to his death, May 31, 1872. He married Nancy Templeton, who died in 1832, leaving the following children: Ann, who married James Foster, and died September 24, 1894; Archie, of Worth township; James, who died in 1892, and Samuel, of Venango township, who died April 23, 1894. Mr. Dickey married for his second wife Mrs. Eliza J. Wilson, a daughter of D. D. Cross, of Worth township, to which union the following children were born: Isabella, deceased; John W.; David; Sarah, wife of J. W. Ralston, and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Dickey survived her husband about fifteen years, dying in October, 1887. Both are buried in the graveyard in Worth township attached to Slippery Rock United Presbyterian church. He was an elder in that organization, and was one of the builders of the present church edifice. In politics, he was a Republican.

JOHN W. DICKEY, son of John and Eliza J. Dickey, was born in Slippery Rock township, upon the homestead farm, February 19, 1845. He received a common school education, but his father being of poor health, the work of the farm was attended to by our subject. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. He was at the battles of Antietam, South Mountain, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville. His term of service having expired he returned to his home and resumed the duties on the farm. At his father's death he and his brother David purchased the old homestead. On April 24, 1876, he married Margaret Reed, a daughter of George Reed, and has seven children, viz.: Mabel; J. Robert; Joseph A.; William J.; George; Eleanor G., and Alice V. Mr. Dickey is one of the leading Republicans of his township, and has served fourteen years as school director. He is a leading member of Slippery Rock United Presbyterian church, and has filled the offices of elder, treasurer, clerk of the session, and superintendent of the Sabbath school for many years. He is one of the original stockholders of the State Normal School, and also a stockholder in the Centreville Creamery Company.

WILLIAM BOVARD, eldest son of James and Jane Bovard, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1799, and grew to manhood in his native township. He afterwards located on the farm in Fairview township settled by his father, but in 1834 purchased 125 acres in Slippery Rock township, where his

son, Samuel C., now lives. He resided here until 1851, in which year he retired from active labor, and lived with his son, James J., the balance of his life, dying in 1872. He married Sarah Cross, a daughter of Samuel Cross, who survived him four years, and died in June, 1876. They were the parents of three children, viz.: James J.; Samuel C., of Slippery Rock township, and Sarah E. Politically, Mr. Bovard was a Democrat. He was one of the early members of Harmony United Presbyterian church, and when the Centreville society was organized he united with that body, and gave liberally towards the erection of the church building.

James J. Bovard, eldest son of William and Sarah Bovard, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, August 21, 1827, and was about seven years old when his parents located in Slippery Rock. He was reared in this township, and educated in the public schools. In 1851 he purchased the Cross homestead, where he has since lived with his sister, Sarah E. He was originally a member of Harmony United Presbyterian church, later became connected with Bethel United Presbyterian church, and held the office of trustee in that society for six years. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, is one of the progressive citizens of the community, and a substantial, enterprising farmer, owning one of the best improved homesteads in the township.

Johnston Bovard, son of James and Jane (Chambers) Bovard, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1811, and was reared amidst pioneer surroundings. After he grew to maturity he purchased 100 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, upon which his son William H. now resides, and here he erected a house and continued to follow agriculture the remaining years of his life. In 1833 he married Lydia Adams, a daughter of Jonathan Adams, of Slippery Rock township, to which union were born the following children: Jonathan, of Mercer township; Jane, wife of Andrew Drennan; George W., of Tionesta; James C., of Mercer township; William H., and Eli D. Mr. Bovard died in 1874; his widow is still residing on the old homestead in Slippery Rock township. He was a stanch Democrat, and served as justice of the peace and school director for several terms. He always took a special interest in educational matters. Originally a Covenanter, he afterwards united with the Bethel United Presbyterian church, and served as a ruling elder and superintendent of the Sabbath school for a number of years.

Jonathan Bovard, eldest son of Johnston and Lydia Bovard, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, September 9, 1834, was reared upon the farm and learned the carpenter's trade, which he has followed more or less in connection with farming. Mr. Bovard was married to Theresa Brown, a daughter of Joseph Brown, of Mercer township, November 26, 1873. They are the parents of five children, viz.: Jane E., deceased; Frank F.; Joseph H.; Flora M., and Richard E. In 1875 he purchased a part of the Joseph Brown farm, upon which he now resides. Mr. Bovard is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, an adherent of the Democratic party. He has filled most of the offices in the township, at different periods, including that of school director.

William H. Bovard, son of Johnston Bovard, was born November 26, 1846, on the homestead farm in Slippery Rock township. He received a common school education, and is now the owner of the old homestead, which contains 110 acres. He married Harriett McCallan, a daughter of John McCallan, and has three children: John A.; Karr C., and Mary. Mr. Bovard is a Democrat, and takes a deep interest in the success of his party. He is a member of Bethel United Presbyterian church, has served on the school board, is connected with the Farmers Alliance, and is a substantial, enterprising citizen.

Charles Bovard, son of James and Jane (Chambers) Bovard, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, March 24, 1816, and removed to Cherry township with his parents in the spring of 1824. He received a common school education and was reared a farmer, which vocation he followed all his life. He was married February 14, 1850, to Mary Jane Hays, a daughter of John Hays, of Centreville. She was born August 29, 1829, and became the mother of eight children, viz.: Jennie Chambers, born June 21, 1852, married Albert S. Haynes, January 18, 1873, and died September 25, 1881; Fanny Caroline, born February 8, 1854, married Hiram Caler, July 4, 1877, and died January 2, 1879; John Richard, born August 20, 1857, and married Mary M. Miller, December 18, 1879; Charles Benning, born September 3, 1859; George McWatty, born August 15, 1861; William Elmer, born October 22, 1863, Mary Emma, born August 18, 1866, and Ettie Lutetia, born August 12, 1869. Mrs. Bovard died March 7, 1876, and on July 18, 1877, he married Catherine Kerr, of Cherry township. He died December 1, 1880, and his wife in 1893. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he filled the office of elder for twenty-two years. In politics, he was a Democrat, and served as school director in Cherry township.

William E. Bovard was born upon the homestead in Cherry township, Butler county, October 22, 1863, there grew to maturity, and obtained his education in the public schools. On September 24, 1884, he married Elizabeth Snyder, born July 13, 1866, a daughter of John Snyder, Jr., of Mercer township, and has four children: Elsie Jane, born July 9, 1886; Charles Earl, October 24, 1887; Roy Elmer, June 29, 1889, and Floyd Snyder, March 25, 1891. In 1885 Mr. Bovard removed to Mercer township and purchased the Morrison farm, consisting of sixty-two acres, upon which he has since resided. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Democrat. He has served as auditor and supervisor of his township, and is a member of the K. O. T. M.

John Reed, Sr., was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1766, and immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1821, settling in Allegheny county, whence he removed to Mercer county. In 1837 he purchased the claim of James Nesbit, containing 116 acres, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, where his grandsons, John and H. R. Reed, now reside. Here he spent the remaining years of his life, and died abont 1844. He married Mary McKnight, in Ireland, to which union were born ten children, as follows: William, who died in Slippery Rock township in 1864; Jane, who died in Ireland; Thomas, who died in Armstrong county in 1892; Sidney, who died soon after the family came to this country; Mary, deceased wife of Thomas Davidson; Hugh, who died at Freeport; George; Mar-

garet, deceased wife of W. J. Vann, and two that died in early youth. Mr. Reed was a member of Harmony Associate church, of Mercer township. His wife died about 1837, and both are buried in the old Harmony churchyard.

George Reed, son of John and Mary Reed, was born in Ireland in 1809, and came with his parents to Pennsylvania in 1821, and to Butler county in 1837. He resided with his parents until his father's death, when the farm came into his possession. He made most of the improvements thereon, and resided upon the homestead until his death. He was a cooper, and after coming to Butler county worked at his trade a few years in Freeport. Mr. Reed married Eleanor McCoy, a daughter of Thomas McCoy, a native of Virginia, who settled in Mercer county. They were the parents of the following children: John; Mary J., wife William McGrew; Hannah, wife of J. M. Hines; Thomas, a resident of Kansas City, Missouri; Margaret, wife of J. W. Dickey; William, who resides on a part of the old homestead; Ella; Sadie; Hugh R., living on the old homestead, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Reed was reared in the Associate church, and joined the United Presbyterian church in 1857, being one of the original members of the Centreville organization. He died November 9, 1871, and was buried in the Harmony graveyard. His widow survives him, and resides upon the homestead farm. In politics, Mr. Reed was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican.

John Reed, eldest son of George and Eleanor Reed, was born March 3, 1842, upon the homestead in Slippery Rock township, was reared a farmer, and received a common school education. He has followed agriculture in connection with mining, having developed and operated a coal mine upon his farm for the past thirty years. In 1875 Mr. Reed married Samantha Moorehead, a daughter of William Moorehead, of Lawrence county, and has five children, viz.: Bertha E.; William F.; Lawrence; Alexander, and Everett L. In politics, Mr. Reed is a Republican, and was elected a justice of the peace in 1887, and re-elected in 1892. He has always taken a commendable interest in school affairs, has served on the school board, and is one of the original stockholders of the State Normal School. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville, in which he has filled the positions of trustee and superintendent of Sabbath school.

Alexander Black, Sr., a native of Donegal county, Ireland, immigrated to Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1837, and purchased 130 acres of land in Clay township. He cleared and improved his farm, and died upon it in 1875. He married Elizabeth McElhaney, in Ireland, who bore him the following children: Elizabeth, wife of William McElhaney; Catherine, wife of John McKinney; Esther, wife of William McKinney; Alexander; Samuel; Rebecca, and Martha. The mother died some two years before her husband. Mr. Black was a member of the United Presbyterian church of West Sunbury, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

Alexander Black, eldest son of Alexander and Elizabeth Black, was born in Ireland, in 1834, and came with his parents to Butler county. He grew to manhood on the homestead in Clay township, where he resided until his removal to Warren county, to engage in the lumber business. In 1873 he purchased his present farm in Slippery Rock township, containing

131 acres, and has since been engaged in farming. He married Angeline Christie, a daughter of William Christie, and has four children, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Barnes; Annie, wife of C. McCandless; Gustavus, and Angeline, wife of Fred Uber. Mr. Black is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville, and in politics, is a Democrat. He is one of the leading farmers of his township.

Samuel T. Chandler was born in New Hampshire, in January, 1811, a son of Nehemiah and Abagail (Dustin) Chandler. His mother was a descendant of the famous Hannah Dustin. In 1841 he settled in Lawrence county, where he resided on a farm until 1860, and then purchared the property in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, now owned by his son George N. He was a teacher by profession, and followed that vocation for some years after coming to this State. He improved and resided on his farm in Slippery Rock township until his death, which occurred on March 22, 1884. He is buried in the new cemetery at Centreville. Mr. Chandler married Mary A. Denniston, a daughter of William Denniston, of Springfield township, Mercer county, to whom were born the following children: Margaret, wife of James Lawrence; Eliza A., widow of S. N. Stephenson; Mary E.; Emma F.; George N.; William D., deceased, and Sarah M. Mrs. Chandler resides on the old homestead with her children. In politics, Mr. Chandler was a Democrat, and filled the office of school director several years.

George N. Chandler was born in Lawrence county, December 2, 1854 son of Samuel T. and Mary A. Chandler. He was about six years old when his parents located in Slippery Rock township, and he has ever since resided upon the homestead farm. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is a member of Mylert Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Centreville. He has followed general farming, and is the owner of 126 acres of well improved land.

Robert McFate was born in Londonderry, Ireland, in 1816, and immigrated to Pennsylvania, in 1836, where he found employment in the construction of the Pennsylvania canal. Later he removed to Venango county, and purchased a farm near Oil City. In 1860 the oil excitement in that vicinity brought him a purchaser, and he sold his farm at a good price, and bought the land where his son, Robert A., now lives, in Slippery Rock township, embracing 150 acres. Here he died July 14, 1892, and is buried in the new cemetery at Centreville. He married Mary McElwee, to which union were born the following children: Martha, deceased; Margaret, wife of J. E. Watt; Mary, wife of A. C. Perry; Eliza, wife of T. M. Johnson; Flo, wife of W. J. Johnson, and Robert A. In politics, Mr. McFate was a Democrat, and in religion, was a member of Bethel United Presbyterian church, of Slippery Rock township.

Robert A. McFate, the only son of Robert and Mary McFate, was born June 18, 1865, upon the homestead farm, was educated in the public schools, and upon the death of his father he purchased the farm from the other heirs. He married Ella McFate, a daughter of Joseph McFate, and has two children, viz.: Robert W. C., and Thomas Johnson. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He is a

member of the Farmers Alliance, and is a stockholder in the Centreville Creamery Company, and in Slippery Rock State Normal School.

Thomas McCoy, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, immigrated to Pennsylvania towards the close of the Eighteenth century, and settled in Springfield township, Mercer county. He entered 200 acres of land, which he cleared and improved, and died upon his farm in 1844. He married Rebecca Denniston, whose parents were among the first settlers of Springfield township. She became the mother of the following children: John; Maria, who married William Alexander; Sarah, who married Andrew Coulter; Nancy, who married Moses Parshall; William; Thomas; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Andrew Rose; Jane, who married Philip Painter; Alexander, and Robert. Mr. McCoy and wife were members of the Presbyterian church. She died some years before her husband, and both are buried in the Stevenson graveyard, in Springfield township, Mercer county.

John McCoy, eldest son of Thomas and Rebecca McCoy, was born in Springfield township, Mercer county, October 7, 1800, and was reared upon the homestead farm. He learned the carpenter's trade, and followed that business many years at Centreville, to which place he removed from Mercer county. In 1864 he settled on a farm in Slippery Rock township, where his son Robert resides, which property he purchased some years before, and here he died on August 24, 1884. Mr. McCoy was twice married; first to Jane Hall, a native of Ireland, who died without issue. On October 19, 1850, he married Elizabeth Armstrong, a daughter of Thomas Armstrong, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, who came to Mercer county in 1842. The children of this union are as follows: Thomas, a resident of Lawrence county; Robert; John E., of Pendleton, Oregon; Rebecca, wife of John G. Uber, and Elizabeth, a professional nurse in Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. McCoy resides upon the old homestead. Mr. McCoy was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a stanch supporter of the Democratic party.

Robert McCoy, son of John and Elizabeth McCoy, was born in Centreville, Butler county, October 25, 1854, and received a public school education. He was reared a farmer and has continued to follow that vocation up to the present. In November, 1883, he married Grace Morehead, a daughter of Harvey Morehead, of New Castle, and has three children: Robert T., Max E., and Martha E. Mr. McCoy devotes considerable attention to the breeding of fine stock, and is quite a successful farmer. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Democrat, is a member of the K. of P., and has served five years in Company F, Fifteenth Regiment, N. G. P.

Samuel Bard, a native of Berks county, Pennsylvania, and of German ancestry, was born in 1795, and married Margaret McArthur, who was of Irish descent. He learned the tailoring trade in his youth, and after his marriage moved to New Lisbon, Ohio, where he followed his trade for some time. In 1822 he removed to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, settled on the present site of Centreville, and was the first tailor in the village. About 1836 he engaged in manufacturing fanning mills, and in 1838 started a foundry, the first between Pittsburg and Erie. This he operated until 1840, when he sold it to his

son, John T., who carried it on for two years, and it then was bought back by our subject. Mr. and Mrs. Bard were the parents of the following children: Mary Ann, wife of William L. Bingham; John T., who died in December, 1879; William B., who died in 1892; Benjamin F., who enlisted in the Union army, and was killed at the battle of Pea Ridge; two who died in youth; A. J., and R. M., the latter a retired merchant of Centreville. Mr. Bard was a Democrat, in politics, and though he never held office, he took a lively interest in public affairs.

A. J. Bard, son of Samuel and Margaret (McArthur) Bard, was born in Centreville, Butler county, June 5, 1828. He attended the village school until he was twelve years of age, when he entered the store of his brother, John T., as a clerk. Here he remained until 1856, having in the meantime become a partner with his brother, J. T., whom he soon bought out and engaged in business for himself, until 1858. In 1861 he was elected a justice of the peace, and served four terms. He was engaged in the timber business for outside parties for one year; was appointed a notary public, and combined with its duties the business of fire insurance, until May, 1893, when he was appointed by President Cleveland postmaster of the borough. Mr. Bard was married June 1, 1854, to Marion McKnight, a daughter of Robert McKnight, to which union have been born four children, viz.: S. S., a hardware merchant of McKeesport; R. M., who is in the gas business in Centreville; Jennie D., wife of Peter Bartz, and Annie May, wife of Rev. U. S. Bartz, a Presbyterian minister. Mr. Bard has spent his entire life in Centreville, and is the oldest living person born in the town. He is known and recognized as a public-spirited citizen and a man of high integrity. In politics, he has always been an unswerving Democrat, and an ardent advocate of the principles and doctrines of his party. He has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since 1849, and is a charter member of Slippery Rock Lodge, No. 108, A. O. U. W. The family are members of the Presbyterian church.

Jonathan Maybury, Sr., a native of Virginia, born about 1767, came to Butler county early in the present century, and entered the employ of Dr. Detmar Basse, sometimes called Dr. Basse Muller, the founder of Zelienople, as book-keeper at his iron furnace. He subsequently went to Westmoreland county where he engaged in farming, and while there was appointed a weigh-master on the Pennsylvania canal, with headquarters at Johnstown. About 1838 he again came to Butler county, as book-keeper for the Hickory furnace, in Slippery Rock township, and died in Centreville about 1842. Mr. Maybury was twice married. His first wife died in Virginia, and he married his second wife, Mary Williams, of Westmoreland county, while a resident of Zelienople. Their children were as follows: Julia, wife of John Bigert; Charles, deceased; Elizabeth, deceased wife of George Dorn; Polly, deceased, and Jonathan. Mr. Maybury is buried in the old cemetery at Centreville.

Jonathan Maybury, son of Jonathan and Mary Maybury, was born at Zelienople, Butler county, in 1829. He was reared at Centreville, received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1850 he commenced business for himself, and has followed contracting and building for the

past forty-four years. He has erected the larger portion of the homes in Centreville, including the Humphrey residence, and has remodled the extensive buildings of the State Normal School, in that borough. The firm of Maybury & Son, is one of the well known building firms of Butler county. In connection with his business, he also carries on farming. Mr. Maybury married Frances M. Crane, a daughter of Dr. Crane, and his children are as follows: Austin; Orrie F., and Harriet, all of whom are dead; Edward M., a member of the firm of Maybury & Son; Mary; Cyrus H., and William. Politically, he is a Republican, and in 1879 was elected county commissioner. He has served three terms as burgess of Centreville, and is one of the leading citizens of the borough. The family are adherents of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. Eli G. DeWolf was one of the early physicians of Butler county. He came from Ohio to Slippery Rock township in 1825, where for twenty-two years he was engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery, dying in 1847. He married Eliza Harris, a native of Butler county, and their children were as follows: Ephraim H., of Freeport, Ohio; Oratio J., editor of the Fostoria Daily and Weekly Dispatch, at Fostoria, Ohio; Eli G., deceased, founder and for many years editor of the Findlay Daily and Weekly Republican, Findlay, Ohio; E. Darwin, deceased; Isaac S. P., a resident of Centreville, Butler county, and Ann Eliza, wife of Thomas Robinson, of Butler.

E. Darwin DeWolf, son of Dr. Eli G. DeWolf, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and spent his early years amidst pioneer surroundings. He married Catherine Christley, a daughter of Michael Christley, of Slippery Rock township, and resided upon his homestead in that township down to his death, in 1865, at the age of thirty-eight years. Mrs. DeWolf now resides in California. They were the parents of four children, viz.: Joel P., editor of the Fostoria Daily and Weekly Review, Fostoria, Ohio; Willard L., of Millerstown; Melvin, and Ella, the last two of whom are dead.

Benjamin Pearson, physician and surgeon, is a son of Thomas W. and Margaret J. (Rodgers) Pearson, the former a native of Mercer, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Ohio. His grandfather, Bevan Pearson, a native of Philadelphia, was one of the early settlers of Mercer, where he lived and died. The subject of this sketch was born in Mercer, December 24, 1838, received a common school education, and subsequently attended the Mercer Academy, and Duff's Commercial College. He read medicine with Dr. S. S. Mehard, of Mercer, commenced practice at Centreville, Butler county, in March, 1862, where he remained until 1866, in which year he removed to Tionesta, because of ill health, and continued his professional duties at that point for two years. In 1868 he returned to Centreville, where he has been engaged in continuous practice for the past twenty-six years. In the spring of 1881 he graduated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Dr. Pearson has always taken an active interest in educational matters, and was one of the leading spirits in obtaining the State Normal School at Centreville. He was one of the building committee, and is now serving as trustee of that institution. He is one of the incorporators and original directors of the Centreville Savings Bank, and has been prominent in the social and material development of the borough. Up to 1884 the doctor was a Democrat,

but since that year he has supported the Prohibition party. In 1892 he was the nominee of theProhibitionists of Butler county for Congress, and was one of the nominees of the same party for the legislature in 1894. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and is one of the charter members of the A. O. U. W. On August 13, 1863, Dr. Pearson married Lizzie Wise, a daughter of Jacob Wise, of Emmitsburg, Maryland, to which union have been born five children, as follows: Effie I.; Thomas W., a Presbyterian minister; Benjamin; Eugene O., and Alfred, deceased. Dr. Pearson is one of the leading and prominent citizens of the community, and gives a liberal support to every worthy enterprise.

George Maxwell was born in Plain Grove township, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, August 13, 1841, son of William and Nancy (Waddle) Maxwell, and grandson of James Maxwell, one of the pioneers of Lawrence county. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and in 1861 enlisted in Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as the "Round Heads," and served until the close of the war. He participated in the following engagements: James Island, where he was slightly wounded, Second Bull Run, Chantilly, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Vicksburg, Jackson, Knoxville, the Wilderness, and Spottsylvania Court House; was wounded in the last mentioned battle, May 12, 1864, by a gun shot in the right knee, was sent to the field hospital, thence to Grosvenor Hospital, Alexandria, Virginia, thence to McClellan Hospital, Philadelphia, where he remained until August 28, 1865, on which date he was honorably discharged from the service. In 1866 Mr. Maxwell located at Centreville, Butler county, where he engaged in the purchase of live stock for the eastern market, which business he has followed up to the present. He is a man of commendable public enterprise, and was one of the first citizens of the community to offer his means and influence towards obtaining the State Normal School, at Centreville. He was one of the original stockholders of that institution, served on the building committee, and has been president of the board of trustees since its organization. Few men of his locality have done more for the material prosperity of the community than the subject of this sketch. He is a leading Republican, and is a prominent member of O. G. Bingham Post, Number 305, G. A. R., of Slippery Rock.

Dr. Albert E. Maltby, principal of the State Normal School, at Slippery Rock, Butler county, was born in Pulaski, Jefferson county, New York, October 27, 1850, son of John and Rachel (Crawford) Maltby, the former a native of New York, and the latter of Ireland. His early education was obtained in the public schools of Fayetteville, Onondaga county, New York, and at the Fayetteville Academy. He subsequently entered Cornell University, and was graduated with honors in 1876. A pupil of Agassiz and Goldwin Smith, he enjoyed unusual advantages in science and history. He began teaching in the Ury school in Philadelphia, and was soon offered an instructorship in Cornell University, but declined the offer. In 1878 he was appointed an engineer on the survey of the boundary line between Guatamala and Mexico. In 1880 he accepted the professorship of mathematics and astronomy in St. Lawrence University, New York, and during his residence in that place was married, December 26, 1883, to Harriet Dezell, a daughter of Robert Dezell, of Canton, St. Lawrence county.

Dr. Maltby became professor of natural sciences in the State Normal School at Indiana, Pennsylvania, in 1884, and after five years of very successful work at that institution, he resigned to take charge of the training department of the State Normal School at Millersville. As a master of methods and the detail of model school work, his power was soon evident to all who visited that school. The enthusiasm of the young teachers under his instructions was unbounded, and was shown in the work which they were able to do. In 1890 Dr. Maltby accepted the principalship of the State Normal School at Slippery Rock, Butler county, and the rapid growth of this institution is a fair index of his executive ability. As an institute instructor and lecturer, he has acquired a State reputation, and his admirable efforts in that field of labor have gained many students for the Slippery Rock State Normal, and placed that school in the foremost rank. As a writer on theoretical and practical school methods, he is singularly happy in taking his readers into confidential sympathy with his views and converting them to his original ways of putting them into school-room practice. It would be impossible for a teacher to follow him through any illustrative teaching, either as observer, auditor, or reader, and not feel a strong desire to investigate and undertake the work for himself. This power to inspire others to think and to work, is of the first importance in the training and supervision of teachers, and is one secret of Dr. Maltby's success in attracting live people within his circle of influence. In addition to giving close attention to the duties of his responsible position, Dr. Maltby has found time during recent years to write and publish three volumes that have given him a wide reputation as an author. Two of these books" "Froebel's Square," and "Map Modeling in Geography," have taken a high rank as text books. The third volume is entitled "The Story of Our Flag," and deals with a patriotic subject in an exceedingly entertaining and interesting manner.

Prof. Isaac Newton Moore, of the State Normal School, was born July 27, 1858, upon the homestead farm in Brady township, son of Samuel and Martha (Graham) Moore, and grandson of Samuel Moore, the pioneer. He received a good English education, and in 1877 commenced teaching in the public schools of Lawrence county. In 1881 he entered Westminster College, at New Wilmington, and was graduated in 1885. In the latter year he was appointed principal of the High School at New Castle, filled that position two years, and in 1887 accepted the principalship of the Waterford Academy, at Waterford, Erie county, where he continued until the autumn of 1888, when he was appointed professor of ancient languages and natural science, in the State Normal School, at Slippery Rock, which position he has filled acceptably up to the present. Professor Moore was married August 30, 1888, to Adella McDowell, a daughter of David McDowell, of Sheakleyville, Mercer county, and has one son, Ralph. Politically, he is a Republican, and in religious faith, is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Prof. Isaac M. McClymonds, son of James and Lydia (Vance) McClymonds, was born on the McClymonds homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, June 15, 1847. After receiving a good common school education, he entered Westminster College, at New Wilmington, and subsequently the Edin-

boro State Normal School, and graduated from the latter institution. He taught in the public schools of Butler and Armstrong counties from 1868 until the spring of 1881, when he was appointed superintendent of the model department of the Edinboro State Normal. In 1889 he was appointed professor of school economy algebra, at Slippery Rock State Normal School, which position he has filled with credit up to the present. Professor McClymonds was married September 2, 1869, to Elizabeth R. Glenn, a daughter of Robert Glenn, of Worth township, to which union have been born seven children. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and fills the office of elder in that society.

Frank Clutton, son of Jonathan Clutton, one of the early settlers of Brady township, Butler county, was born in Franklin township, November 15, 1857. He was reared in Brady and Worth townships, attended the district schools, and began clerking in his father's store in boyhood. At the age of twenty-two he took charge of the store at Coaltown, for Bard & Son, with whom he remained three years. He then became manager of the Hazard Coal Company's store, in Mercer county, where he remained some two years and a half. He next entered the employ of the Westermann Brothers, of Millerstown, as book-keeper. In 1877 he and his brother George W. purchased the drug store of M. L. Kelly, at Slippery Rock, which they conducted under the firm name of Clutton Brothers until 1893, when it was changed to Clutton Brothers & McGaffic, and the gents furnishing business, and boots and shoes were added thereto. Mr. McGaffic retired from the firm in September, 1894, and it then became Clutton Brothers, whose business is now confined to drugs exclusively. George W. Clutton located in New Castle, in August, 1891, where the firm carry on the drug business under the name of Clutton Brothers. Mr. Clutton was married September 11, 1879, to Lola F. Riddle, a daughter of James D. Riddle, deceased. Their children are as follows: Bertha, deceased; William K.; Paul D.; Augustus T., and Francis E. Politically, Mr. Clutton is a Republican, is president of the borough council, and was one of the original stockholders and trustees of the Slippery Rock State Normal School. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has filled the offices of trustee and steward. He is also a member of Hebron Lodge, F. & A. M., and Slippery Rock Lodge, K. of P. He is one of the leading business men of the town, as well as a progressive, enterprising citizen.

George W. Clutton was born in Franklin township, Butler county, April 8, 1864, and received a common school education. In 1878 he entered the employ of John H. Walker, who established the first drug store in Slippery Rock. After serving his apprenticeship, he went to Coaltown and took charge of a drug store, which he afterwards purchased, and which he continued to carry on until the fall of 1886, when it was burned out. In the spring of 1887 his brother Frank and himself purchased their present place in Slippery Rock. In August, 1891, he went to New Castle and took charge of the Central drug store, which is also carried on under the name and style of Clutton Brothers. Mr. Clutton married Ellen Ridgeway, a daughter of Henry Ridgeway, of Coaltown, Butler county, and has one son, Fred. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and the K. of P., also of the Methodist Episcopal church.

W. H. Grine was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, June 23, 1854, son of Helwig and Catherine (Croll) Grine, natives of Germany, and residents of Franklin township, Butler county. Our subject was reared in Allegheny county, and Franklin township, Butler county, his parents locating here in 1868. He received a common school education, and at the age of seventeen began clerking in Pittsburg, remained there one year, and then went into the oil fields of Venango, McKean and Clarion counties. After two years spent in that region, he again went to Pittsburg and resumed clerking in a store. In 1884 he settled at Centreville, and engaged in the huckster business, which he followed for several years. In 1893 he became interested in the creamery business, and it was mainly through his efforts that Centreville Cooperative Creamery Association, Limited, was organized, and a creamery established. Mr. Grine was elected general manager, and in connection with the duties of this position he also follows farming. He married Anna Kennedy, a daughter of J. K. Kennedy, of Butler county, to which union have been born ten children: William H.; Arthur E.; Catherine E.; Charles R.; Albert F., deceased; Clifford C.; Eugene E.; Raymond K., deceased; Mary, and Helen G. In politics, Mr. Grine is a Republican, has filled the office of burgess, and also served in the borough council. In early life he was a Lutheran, but after settling at Centreville he united with the Presbyterian church. He is a member of the K. of P., the Jr. O. U. A. M., and the K. of H., and is one of the enterprising citizens of the borough.

H. P. Griffith was born in Utica, New York, November 17, 1832, son of Henry and Jane (Hughes) Griffith. At the age of fourteen he went to New York city, where he learned the cooper's trade. In 1860 he located at Titusville, Pennsylvania, established himself in business, and manufactured the first iron bound oil barrels made in Pennsylvania. He established several cooper shops throughout the oil region, and conducted an extensive business. He subsequently engaged in the oil industry, and followed producing in the Oil Creek field from 1862 until 1874. In the latter year he began operating in Greece City, Butler county, and afterwards in the Millerstown field, which he continued until 1877. In that year, under the firm name of Hays & Griffith, he commenced operations in the Bradford field. In March, 1885, he returned to Butler county, and leased a strip of land extending from Wurtemburg, Pennsylvania, to a point six miles northeast of Centreville, and with H. E. Pickett, organized the Shenango Gas Company, to supply New Castle with natural gas. This company carried out its plan successfully, and is in operation at the present time. In 1886 Mr. Griffith drilled a well west of Centreville, put down another the following year on the John Wolford farm, and in 1890 drilled a third on the Williams farm, in Slippery Rock township, and in 1892 a fourth well on the Eyth farm. In 1887 he piped the borough of Centreville, and the foregoing wells supply his plant, and furnish fuel for about 500 fires. Mr. Griffith married Barbara Kahler, and is the father of four children, viz.: Jane A.; Grace; Frank E., and Helen. He was one of the leading spirits in obtaining the location of the State Normal School at Centreville, and was the largest cash subscriber to the building fund. He has been a trustee of that institution since its organization, and also a member of the sanitary committee. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, and in

religious faith, an adherent of the Presbyterian church. He is recognized as one of the representative and progressive citizens of the borough, a man always ready with his means and influence to advance the prosperity of the town.

Robert G. Humphrey, son of James Humphrey, was born in Worth township, Butler county, in 1825. He learned the wagonmaker's trade in youth, and carried on business in North Liberty township, Mercer county, until 1865, in which year he settled in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, purchased a farm, and carried on that business in connection with his trade. He married Margaret Maxwell, a daughter of William Maxwell, and was the father of the following children: William M.; Milton J., a resident of Slippery Rock township; Mary A., wife of J. C. Morton; Wellington W., of Slippery Rock township; Nancy J., wife of Charles Minich; Norman A., of Pendleton, Ohio; John G., who resides in Ottawa, Kansas, and George M. Mr. Humphrey died June 5, 1874; his widow resides in Centreville with her son William M. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, at Prospect, and in politics, a Republican. His only brother, Thomas G., is a farmer, and resides in Beloit, Kansas.

William M. Humphrey, eldest son of Robert G. and Margaret Humphrey, was born in Mercer county, September 21, 1849. He was reared a farmer, and was educated in the common schools. In 1884 he purchased a farm of 100 acres in Connoquenessing township, which began producing oil about 1890, and has now twenty-six wells located upon it. It is in the Hundred Foot field, and has made its owner one of the wealthy citizens of the county. In 1892 he purchased some twenty-four acres at Centreville, upon which he has erected one of the finest homes in this section of the State. He is also the owner of another farm of 143 acres, known as the David McKee farm, in Slippery Rock township. On December 31, 1874, Mr. Humphrey married Eveline Kiester, a daughter of Jacob Kiester, and has two sons: Clyde and Glenn. Eva D. McClellan, a niece, now twenty-three years of age, has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey since she was four years old. Mr. Humphrey is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, is a supporter of the Republican party.

Albert H. Baker was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1846, son of James C. Baker. He was reared in his native county, and after arriving at manhood he engaged in various occupations, and finally became a fireman on a railroad. In 1870 he removed to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and engaged in the saw mill business, followed this for some time, and then began mining coal, at which he remained four years. He afterwards followed contracting, and also embarked in butchering, and finally went into the livery business at Centreville, under the firm name of Baker & Christley. This firm continued until August, 1892, when the firm of Baker & Nelson succeeded it. Mr. Baker is also engaged in the furniture business under the firm name of Baker, Kiester & Nelson. He has been twice married. His first wife was Martha J. Downs, who died in 1893, leaving three children, viz.: Frank; Eva, and Herbert. His second wife was Mrs. Melissa Kelly, of New Wilmington. Mr. Baker is a stanch Republican, and has served in the borough council and other local offices. He is a member of the F. & A. M., the I. O. O. F., and

the Jr. O. U. A. M., and is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, of Centreville.

JOHN MCGONEGAL was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, May 21, 1859, son of Marcus and Lillie A. (Morrison) McGonegal, his mother being a daughter of Benjamin Morrison. He received a common school education, and was reared upon a farm until seventeen years of age, when he commenced learning the carpenter's trade. He followed this business until July, 1893, at which time he was appointed engineer of the State Normal School, at Slippery Rock. In 1892 he constructed his water works plant, which he operates in connection with his business as engineer. Mr. McGonegal married Mary J. Taylor, and is the father of six children, viz.: William M.; Bessie J.; George F.; Ruth H.; John R., and Eva F. He has been a member of the Centreville United Presbyterian church since boyhood, and is a ruling elder in the same church. Politically, he is a Republican.

SAMUEL BARNES, SR., was born in Down county, Ireland, in 1736, and immigrated to one of the eastern counties of this State. About 1795, accompanied by his wife Susanna and two children, William and Betsey, the latter of whom subsequently married a Mr. Martin, he came to Mercer township, Butler county, and settled upon 200 acres of land now the property of his great grandsons, John A. and James B. Barnes. The patent for this land was obtained by his son William, April 6, 1832. He built his cabin in the midst of an unbroken forest, and here spent the remaining years of his life. His wife died on June 5, 1820, and himself, December 25, 1821. They are buried in the graveyard in Mercer township connected with Harmony United Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM BARNES, only son of Samuel and Susanna Barnes, was a native of Ireland, and came with his parents to Butler county. He assisted his parents in clearing and improving the old homestead in Mercer township, and after their decease the property came into his possession. He married Jane Black, who bore him the following children: Samuel, who died in Slippery Rock township; Jane, who married George McElree; William, who died unmarried, May 27, 1863; John, and James, both of whom died in Mercer township; Alexander, who died in Mercer county; Thomas, who died July 4, 1875, unmarried, and Robert, who married Margaret Craig, and died October 6, 1887. The mother died on July 27, 1832, and the father, July 21, 1841. They were early members of Harmony United Presbyterian church, and were buried in the old graveyard in Mercer township. In politics, Mr. Barnes was an ardent Democrat.

SAMUEL BARNES, eldest son of William and Jane Barnes, was born upon the homestead in Mercer township, Butler county, and resided with his parents until settling upon the farm in Slippery Rock township, where his son Alexander now lives. He cleared and improved this properry, and spent the balance of his life thereon. He married Martha Braden, who died in 1844, leaving the following children: William, deceased; Ezekiel, also dead; Eva J., who married James McKee; Alexander; Phoebe, deceased; James, and Robert, both deceased; Ephraim, a resident of Bradford; Thomas, of Forward township, and Braden, deceased. Mr. Barnes married for his second wife Nancy Tannehill, and died about 1880. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. In early life he sup-

ported the Whig party, and afterwards became a Democrat. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Alexander Barnes, son of Samuel and Martha Barnes, was born April 15, 1829, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, was reared upon the homestead and received a common school education. He worked in various places until the age of twenty-eight, when he purchased the homestead, upon which he has since resided. He married Margaret J. McDermott, a daughter of James McDermott. She died November 29, 1887, having borne him the following children: James C., deceased; Mary, wife of George Bell; Thomas, and Phoebe A., both deceased; Samuel, and Eva. His second wife was Mary Dugan. Politically, Mr. Barnes is one of the active Democrats in his township, and has filled the office of school director. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

John Barnes, son of William and Jane (Black) Barnes, was born on the old Barnes homestead, in Mercer township, Butler county, in 1800, received his education in a pioneer subscription school, and was reared amidst the scenes and trials of early days. After reaching manhood he purchased 100 acres of land where his son Hiram now resides. He cleared this farm, erected buildings, and spent the remaining years of his life in making a home for his family. He married Elizabeth Snyder, a daughter of Philip Snyder, of Slippery Rock township, to which union were born the following children: Sarah, wife of William McGill; William, deceased; Philip, a resident of Mercer county; James B.; John H., of Mercer county; Hiram; Jane E., wife of William Williamson; Thomas, and Eli, both of whom are dead. Mr. Barnes was an ardent Democrat, and filled most of the township offices at different periods. Both he and wife were members of Harmony United Presbyterian church. They died in 1876, and 1884, respectively, and are buried in the Harmony graveyard.

James B. Barnes, son of John and Elizabeth Barnes, was born on August 27, 1836, in Mercer township, received a common school education and was reared a farmer. In 1863 he purchased 100 acres of the old Barnes tract, which had passed out of the hands of the family, and has since erected all of his present improvements. On February 12, 1863, he married Mary J. Stevenson, a daughter of John Stevenson, of Franklin township, Butler county. They are the parents of seven children, viz.: John C., deceased; Edward N.; David E., deceased; Catherine E.; Anna A., deceased; Josiah S., and Manthus E. Mr. Barnes has been an elder of Harmony United Presbyterian church for twenty years, and politically, he is a supporter of the Democratic party.

Hiram Barnes, fifth son of John and Elizabeth Barnes, was born upon his present homestead in 1843, and his entire life has been passed in his native township. On May 27, 1875, he married Harriett J. McCoy, a daughter of Madison McCoy. Politically, he is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of Harmony United Presbyterian church.

James Barnes was born on the old homestead in Mercer township, Butler county, February 7, 1802, son of William and Jane Barnes, and grandson of Samuel and Susanna Barnes. He was reared beneath the parental roof, and subsequently purchased the farm where his son Thomas now resides. Upon this farm

was one of the most extensive coal deposits in this part of the county, and mining was carried on here by the Mercer Mining and Manufacturing Company for twenty years. Mr. Barnes married Sally McCune, a daughter of John McCune, an early settler of Mercer township. To this marriage were born the following children: John A.; Mary A., wife of Samuel Bovard; William B., who died October 26, 1858; Nancy, widow of William McTaggart; Thomas; Martha J., wife of James Wiley; Susanna, deceased wife of James Kelly; James M., who died June 23, 1858; Robert L., of Marion township, and Washington S. Mrs. Barnes died August 18, 1876, and her husband, December 25, the same year. They were members of Bethel United Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Barnes was an active Democrat.

John A. Barnes, eldest son of James and Sally Barnes, was born in Mercer township, Butler county, November 19, 1827, was reared upon the homestead, and received a common school education. After he grew to maturity, he and his father purchased the old Barnes homestead, on a portion of which he erected all the present improvements, and has been engaged in farming thereon since the fall of 1852. Mr. Barnes was married October 21, 1852, to Sarah Hogg, a daughter of Robert Hogg, of Cherry township, and is the father of the following children: Sadie A., deceased; Mary D., wife of Charles Snyder; Susan, wife of James McDougal; James N., who married Onie Pattison, and has three children, and Frankie, deceased. Mrs. Barnes died November 12, 1894. Mr. Barnes is an elder in Bethel United Presbyterian church, which office he has held since 1876. Politically, he is a Democrat, has filled the office of school director for twenty-one years, and has also held other township offices.

Thomas Barnes was born upon the farm where he now resides, in Mercer township, April 24, 1836, third son of James and Sally Barnes. After the death of his father he purchased the farm, and has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He married Sarah J. McCreary, a daughter of Thomas McCreary, of Mercer county. Ten children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Lizzie V., wife of William Osier; Richard, who married Catherine Gilmer; Nettie, wife of Hugh Milner: Nancy, deceased; Alice M.; Lila E.; James O.; Thomas M.; Ruby G., and Flossie A. Mr. Barnes is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the present school board.

Washington S. Barnes, youngest son of James and Sally Barnes, was born June 25, 1848, upon the homestead farm in Mercer township. He was reared a farmer, and has always followed that vocation. In April, 1879, he purchased his present farm in Mercer township, upon which he has since resided. He was married December 3, 1878, to Mary J. Black, a daughter of R. S. Black, of Marion township, and their children are as follows: Hattie S.; Samuel H.; Frank M., and Fannie M. In politics, Mr. Barnes is a Democrat, has filled the office of poor director for a number of years, and has always taken a leading interest in public affairs. He is a member of Harmony United Presbyterian church, and a liberal contributor towards that society.

Ebenezer Brown, a native of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, came to Mercer township, Butler county in 1797, and took up 600 acres of land. He cleared and improved a farm on this tract, and died in 1832. He married a Miss

Porter, and their family consisted of the following children: Jane; Alexander; William P.; Samuel; James; Elsie; Ebenezer; Porter, and Joseph, all of whom are dead. Mr. Brown was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. His wife died in 1830.

Samuel Brown, third son of Ebenezer Brown, was born April 22, 1812, upon the old homestead in Mercer township. He received such an education as the pioneer schools afforded, and learned the tanner's trade. He subsequently established a tannery at Harrisville, which he conducted until 1880. Mr. Brown married Eliza J., daughter of John Waddell, of Butler county, and their children were: Mary M., who married Thomas Cross; John W.; Ermina L., deceased wife of H. M. Kerr; Orlando, deceased; Otis P., a resident of Ohio, and Mead S., deceased. In politics, Mr. Brown was a Democrat, and in religious faith, a Presbyterian. He died June 22, 1888, near Centreville, Butler county.

John Snyder, Sr., was born in Liberty township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, in 1805, a son of Jacob Snyder, a native of Germany. His father served in the Revolutionary war, and sometime prior to 1800 he settled in Liberty township, Mercer county, where he spent the remaining years of his life. The subject of this sketch was reared on the homestead, and purchased 170 acres of land in Mercer township, Butler county, in 1852, upon which his son John now resides. He married Elizabeth Uber, a daughter of Michael Uber, one of the early settlers of Mercer county, and the following children were born to this marriage: Susan, wife of Eli Beighley; Mary, wife of Alexander Rodgers; Daniel, deceased; Michael, deceased; Sarah, deceased wife of Robert Hanna; Rebecca, wife of A. Wilcox; Maria, wife of Joseph I. Blair; Caroline, wife of William Van Dyke; Lavina, and George W., both deceased; John, and one that died in early youth. Mr. Snyder was a stanch Democrat, an active worker in the party, and filled the office of school director in his township. In early life he was a member of the German Reformed church, and after his settlement in Mercer township, there being no church of his faith in that locality, he did not unite with any denomination. His wife died on March 27, 1886, and himself, February 1, 1888.

John Snyder, youngest son of John and Elizabeth Snyder, was born in Liberty township, Mercer county, March 16, 1841, and was eleven years old when his parents came to Butler county. He attended the common schools of his district, and grew to maturity upon his present homestead, which he received from his father. In September, 1862, he married Eliza J. Bailey, a daughter of Robert Bailey, of Venango county, and they are the parents of six children, three of whom are living, viz.: Lizzie, wife of William Bovard; Joseph F., and Lawrence. The deceased are William, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Snyder is a Democrat, but has never had any desire for official position. The family are members of the Presbyterian church, of Harrisville, and Mr. Snyder is an elder in that society. He is recognized as one of the leading and progressive farmers of the community.

William McGarvey was born in Donegal county, Ireland, July 17, 1800, son of John and Nancy (Jackson) McGarvey of the same place. In 1830 the family immigrated to Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, where his father died in

1851, and his mother several years before. In 1835 he married Margaret Smith, a daughter of Matthew Smith, of Fairview township, Butler county, who bore him a family of seven children, viz.: Matthew; Martha, who married J. A. Wilson; Nancy, who married William Gibson; William; John J.; Robert, and one that died in infancy. In 1850 Mr. McGarvey removed to Fairview township, purchasing the Matthew Smith farm of 250 acres. In 1876 he settled in Fairview borough, where he died on March 10, 1885. His wife died on December 19, 1876. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, in which society he filled the office of elder a number of years. He was first a Whig and afterwards a Democrat, and served as supervisor and collector of his township.

John J. McGarvey was born in Sugar Creek township, Armstrong county, July 17, 1844, son of William and Margaret McGarvey. He came with his parents to Butler county when about six years old, was educated in a select school and at Dayton Academy, and taught for several terms. He afterwards engaged in farming, and in August, 1862, enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Camp Curtin, and served in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He was honorably discharged from the service on May 26, 1863, and returned to Butler county. In September, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company L, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, joined Sheridan's army in the Shenandoah valley, and served until the close of the war. Returning home he resumed his duties upon the farm, and on October 7, 1869, married Sidney J. Campbell, of Parker township. Eight children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Margaret, wife of Willis H. Brown; William B.; Samuel N.; Robert; Harry E.; Howard E.; Nancy B., and Mary. Mr. McGarvey is an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has served as a school director, overseer of the poor, and auditor, and is one of the enterprising farmers of his township. He is a charter member of Post Number 325, G. A. R., of Grove City.

Hon. James Kerr was born in Springfield township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1813, son of Samuel Kerr, and grandson of James Kerr, a native of Ireland. The latter came from Adams county about 1797, and settled in Springfield township, Mercer county. Samuel was a native of Adams county, born in 1791, grew to manhood in Mercer county, whence he came to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, to take charge of Mt. Etna and Hickory furnaces, which position he occupied for several years. He was elected to the state senate while a resident of this county, afterwards removed to New Castle, and was appointed by Governor Porter superintendent of the canal. He also represented Mercer county in the legislature, and died at Sandy Lake in 1873. He married Mary Moore, of Mercer county, who bore him a family of eleven children, as follows: James; John; Mrs. Jane McConnell; Mrs. Mary A. Cleary; Mrs. Martha Alexander; Mrs. Sarah Pollock; Samuel; Lafayette; Clinton; Mrs. Lucinda Barker, and Mrs. Caroline Brown, all of whom are dead except James and Mary A. The subject of this sketch began carrying the mail from Mt. Etna to Franklin when nine years old, and continued to do so until he was thirteen years of age. He then followed various occupations until 1830, in which year he settled at Harrisville, Butler county. From 1837 until 1840 he was a contractor on the

Pennsylvania canal. In the latter year he embarked in merchandising at Harrisville, and conducted that business successfully for nearly forty years. During a large portion of this time he was also extensively engaged in farming, being the owner of twelve farms in the vicinity of Harrisville. In 1847 he built Marion furnace, in Marion township, in partnership with Robert Breaden, the only iron furnace in Butler county that did not suspend. He was also superintendent of Maple furnace, in Allegheny township, in 1846-47 and '48. He carried on an extensive business in purchasing cattle for the eastern markets during this period, and was one of the most active and energetic business men in the county. Judge Kerr was a Democrat until 1854, since which time he has been an adherent of the Republican party. He filled the office of justice of the peace for thirty years, as well as many other local positions in the township and borough. In 1860 he was an elector on the Lincoln and Hamlin ticket, and in 1861 he was elected associate judge of Butler county. In 1868 he was elected to the state senate, and throughout this period wielded a wide influence in the councils of his party. Judge Kerr was married in 1838, to Priscilla McMillan, who died in 1866, leaving two children, viz.: Mary, widow of J. M. Cubbison, and Lizzie K., wife of Capt. H. A. Ayers. His second wife was Catherine McCallan, of Cherry township. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1842, and few men in the county have a wider acquaintance or are better known than this venerable pioneer. He retired from active business in 1890, and has since devoted his attention to looking after his extensive landed interests.

Daniel Wick was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1786, and at the age of nine years removed with his parents to Washington county, and located on Ten Mile creek. When eighteen years of age the family removed to Austintown, Trumbull county, Ohio, where Daniel enlisted in the War of 1812, and served as a fifer. At the age of twenty-six he married Elizabeth Armitage, a daughter of Benjamin Armitage, of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and became the father of six children, viz.: Annie K., who married Isaac Kimmell, of Coitsville, Ohio; Mary J., wife of T. J. Hisst, of the same place; Robert K., of Harrisville; Phoebe J., wife of George W. Seaton, of Westmoreland county; Daniel M., and William H. When Mr. Wick was thirty-one years of age, he removed with his family to Coitsville, where he died on June 18, 1863. His wife survived until 1869. They were members of the Presbyterian church, in which society he filled the office of clerk of the church. He was a Democrat until the second election of Jackson, when he became a Whig, and in 1840 a Free Soiler. He followed farming throughout his life, and never took much interest in public affairs.

Robert K. Wick, son of Daniel and Elizabeth Wick, was born at Coitsville, Mahoning county, Ohio, October 15, 1818, and received his education at a subscription school, subsequently attending a select school at New Bedford. He received a certificate to teach, and taught for four terms, and afterwards became a salesman in a general store at Poland. He next followed the peddling business for two years, and on July 1, 1838, he located at Harrisville, Butler county, where for twenty years he was engaged in the manufacture and sale of fanning mills. Mr. Wick was married January 1, 1846, to Bulina A. Rathbun, to which union have been born six children, viz.: Mary, deceased; Elizabeth E., wife of Samuel

Bingham; Eugene E.; Clara E., wife of Robert L. Brown; Eva J., and Margaret G. Mr. Wick has been one of the most extensive farmers and stock-growers in this section of the State, in which he is at present largely engaged. He has purchased at different periods a large amount of land in Harrisville and vicinity, and erected his present residence in 1870. At one time he was the owner of over 4,000 sheep, which he had taken care of by different farmers, and settled the business without the loss of a cent or a lawsuit. He is one of the wealthiest citizens of Butler county. Politically, he is a Republican, has served in the borough council, and has been a member of the school board for several terms. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and superintendent of the Sabbath school.

Robert Black, an early merchant of Harrisville, was born in Donegal county, Ireland, in October, 1809, there grew to manhood, and in 1834 married Elizabeth McElhaney, of the same county, a daughter of Robert McElhaney. The young couple immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, soon after their marriage, and lived in that city until 1843, when they removed to Harrisville, Butler county. Mr. Black embarked in general merchandising, which he carried on successfully until his death, October 20, 1870. His widow lives with her son Robert. In 1845 Mr. Black purchased the Harris property, where the postoffice is now located. He was a stanch Democrat, was a member of the school board, and also served in the borough council of Harrisville. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, to which his widow also belongs. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom survived infancy, as follows: William, deceased; Mary J., wife of Dr. J. H. Elrick, of Harrisville; Fannie, deceased wife of Rev. J. F. Armstrong, of Mercer county; Robert, merchant and postmaster of Harrisville; John F., and Richard.

Robert Black, Sr., was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, son of Adam and Polly Black, natives of the same county. His parents removed to Washington county in 1803, and the following year located in Springfield township, Mercer county, where his father died in 1816, and his mother in 1841. They were married in 1787, and reared a family of nine children, eight of whom were born before the settlement in Mercer county, the youngest having been born in Mercer county in 1805. The names of their children were as follows: Betsey, who married John Chambers; Henry; Alexander; Joseph; Adam; Robert; Maria, who married Major John Harris; Iby, who married Rev. John Munson, and Chambers. Robert was reared upon the homestead farm, which he afterwards purchased. He married Sarah Courtney, to which marriage were born two children, both of whom died in infancy. His wife died in 1826, and he was again married, to Sarah Uber, to which union were born the following children: Harriet, who married Scott McCready, of Lawrence county; Margaret, who married Joseph Burns, of the same county; Caroline, who became the wife of T. W. Morrow, of Harrisville; Sarah, wife of John Fitzgerald, of Iowa; Sibbie; H. Calvin, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Black was a leading member of the Whig party, and served two terms in the legislature. He died at Harrisburg during his second term, in 1848. His wife died upon the homestead in Mercer county, in 1846.

H. Calvin Black was born in Springfield township, Mercer county, January 4, 1838, only son of Robert and Sarah Black, and grandson of Adam Black, the pioneer of the family in Mercer county. He was left an orphan at the age of ten years, and then went to live with his uncle, Alexander Black, with whom he made his home until of age. He received a good common school education, and afterwards attended a Commercial College in Pittsburg. Mr. Black clerked for a few years in West Virginia, and subsequently in Mercer county, and in 1864 embarked in the mercantile business at Balm, where he carried on business for three years. In 1867 he located at Harrisville, where he clerked for Harris & Morrow, and afterwards became a member of the firm of Morrow & Black. He finally became sole proprietor of the business, later took his two oldest sons into partnership, and carried on under the firm name of Black & Sons until his death, October 27, 1894. In 1861 Mr. Black married Adaline Painter, a daughter of Philip and Jane Painter of Mercer county. Three sons and four daughters blessed this union, named as follows: Robert N.; Austa M., wife of W. C. Hawn, of Fairview; John R.; Harriet N., deceased; Florence E.; Nora M., and Garfield. In 1867 he united with the Presbyterian church of Centre, served as elder in the church at Harrisville until a few years ago, and then transferred his membership to the United Presbyterian church of Harmony. Politically, he was a stanch Republican, and always took an active interest in public affairs. He filled several of the borough offices, and was one of its progressive and public-spirited citizens. His many sterling qualities of mind and heart endeared him to the community at large. He was successful in business, a good citizen, an accommodating neighbor, and a worthy and liberal supporter of the church. Mr. Black was an affectionate husband, and a kind and indulgent father.

James C. Curry, eldest son of Isaac Curry, was born in Centre township, Butler county, December 23, 1804. His father was a native of Ireland, and settled near Unionville at an early date, where he reared the following children: James C.; Robert; David; Isaac; Barbara; Julia Ann; Nancy, and Elizabeth. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native township, and received a good common school education, which he afterwards utilized in teaching school. On February 24, 1825, he married Martha Edgar, a daughter of John Edgar, of Franklin township, to which union were born six children, viz.: John E.; Isaiah D., who died in the Union army, at Baltimore, April 15, 1865; Sarah A., wife of Harvey H. Smith, of Butler county; Angeline, wife of Alexander Duggins, of Missouri; Martha A., wife of William Gould, of this county, and Amanda M., deceased. Mr. Curry removed to Greenville, Mercer county, some years after his marriage, but returned to Butler county in 1850, and settled at Ralston's mill. He afterwards went to Indiana, and located at Elizabeth, Harrison county, resided there some years and then moved to Missouri, where he died. His wife died at Elizabeth, Indiana. Mr. Curry served in an Indiana regiment during the Rebellion.

John E. Curry was born in Franklin township, Butler county, May 8, 1827, eldest child of James C. and Martha Curry. He learned the chairmaker's and painter's trades, and in the fall of 1850 located at Harrisville. In 1853 he purchased a business property, which was twice burned, being completely

destroyed in March, 1890. He immediately erected his present store building and residence, where he carries on the grocery, confectionery and notion business. On December 31, 1850, he married Maria E. McNair, a daughter of Thomas McNair, of Butler. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he fills the office of treasurer. In politics, Mr. Curry is an ardent Democrat, was postmaster of Harrisville for eight years under Pierce and Buchanan, has served in the borough council, and also as treasurer for several years.

Rev. David Imbrie, one of the earliest ministers of the Associate church in Pennsylvania, was a native of Philadelphia, born of Scotch parentage on August 28, 1777. His parents returned to Scotland, and remained there until the termination of the War of Independence, when they again came to this country, and settled at Darlington, Beaver county, Pennsylvania. David was educated at Canonsburg Academy, and was one of nine students who founded the Franklin Literary Society, November 14, 1797. He studied theology with Dr. John Anderson, was licensed December 14, 1803, by Chartiers Presbytery, and ordained September 3, 1806. He was pastor of Bethel and Darlington congregations from 1808 until his death, June 13, 1842, on which date he was stricken with apoplexy, soon after his arrival at Bethel church, and died at the home of a member near by.

Rev. David Reed Imbrie, son of Rev. David Imbrie, was born at Darlington, Beaver county, Pennsylvania, January 24, 1812. He was educated at Darlington Academy, under Dr. George Scott, studied theology at Canonsburg, was licensed on July 16, 1839, by the Ohio Presbytery, and was ordained by the Shenango Presbytery, April 26, 1842. He was installed as pastor of New Wilmington, Prospect, and New Castle congregations, but resigned the last mentioned charge in 1847, Mt. Prospect in 1853, and New Wilmington in 1867. In 1870 he removed to Kansas, and served Ottawa congregation until his death, January 29, 1878. Mr. Imbrie married Nancy R. Johnston, a daughter of John Johnston, of Mercersburg, Franklin county, in June, 1843, and was the father of eight children, as follows: Rev. John J.; Almira J., deceased; Rev. David R.; Melverin M., deceased; Nancy S., wife of Robert Clark; Alexander M., deceased; Caroline R., wife of John Kelso, and Mary M., deceased. His widow resides with her daughter, Mrs. Kelso, at New Galilee.

Rev. John J. Imbrie was born on June 29, 1844, at New Wilmington, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, was educated at Westminster College, and studied theology at Monmouth. In 1863 he enlisted in Company I, Fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in West Virginia under General Negley. He afterwards resumed his studies, and was licensed by the Garnett Presbytery, April 6, 1872, and ordained on November 10, 1875, by Wheeling Presbytery. His first charges were Brownsville and Mt. Pleasant, Monroe county, Ohio. In 1875-76 he had charge of the congregation at Wampum, Lawrence county; in 1876-79 was pastor of the Remington Harbor and Shenango churches, and since 1882 he has had charge of Scotch Hill, Ebenezer and West Unity congregations, these being his present charges. In 1886 Mr. Imbrie purchased the Robert Black property at Harrisville, consisting of sixteen acres, and erected his

present residence the same year. He was married on September 23, 1873, to Maggie A. Sharp, a daughter of James Sharp, of Darlington, Beaver county. Ten children have blessed this union, as follows: Clarence E.; Wilburt D.; Leroy S.; Maggie E.; David R.; John A.; Ocie A.; Bessie R.; Theron D., and James E. Mr. Imbrie is an adherent of the Republican party, but aside from exercising the elective franchise, takes no active interest in political matters. He devotes his whole attention to the spiritual and material welfare of his congregations, which have been quite prosperous during his pastorate.

David W. Humphrey, Sr., was born in Worth township, Butler county, September 6, 1843, son of William Humphrey. He received a common school education, and was a farmer and carpenter, which business he followed throughout his life. In October, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Capt. William H. Jack, and was mustered into the service at Camp Orr, near Kittanning. The regiment proceeded down the Ohio river with General Negley, and he took part in the following battles: Stone River, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Tunnel Hill, Buzzard's Roost Gap, Reseca, Dallas, New Hope Church, Kenesaw Mountain, and Atlanta. Returning to Nashville he was honorably discharged on November 4, 1864, and thence came home and resumed his duties upon the farm. On December 29, 1864, he married Julia A. Studebaker, a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Studebaker, of Worth township, to which union were born two children, viz.: David W., and Mary R., deceased. Mr. Humphrey was a member of the Baptist church, and died on July 16, 1871. His widow married Andrew Allison, of Worth township, where she is still living.

David W. Humphrey, only son of David W. and Julia A. Humphrey, was born upon the homestead in Worth township, February 3, 1866, was educated in the public schools, and afterwards spent two terms at Grove City College and one term at the Edinboro State Normal. He then taught school for a period, and subsequently embarked in merchandising at Eau Claire, as junior member of the firm of Gardner & Humphrey. In 1889 he purchased his partner's interest and continued to carry on the business alone until 1893, when he sold out to W. P. Jamison & Company, and bought the store of S. B. Bingham, of Harrisville, where he now carries on merchandising under the firm name of D. W. Humphrey & Company. He married Nettie A. Pisor, a daughter of John and Mary J. Pisor, of Worth township, February 9, 1888. Five children have been born to this union, three of whom died in infancy. The remaining two are Paul A., deceased, and Ralph. Mr. Humphrey is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and has filled the office of steward in that society. He is connected with Tent No. 187, K. O. T. M., of Harrisville, and in politics, is an adherent of the Democratic party.

Joseph Cummins was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1809, was reared in his native county, and there married Eleanor Moore, a daughter of John Moore, in 1831. In 1837 they came to Butler county and purchased a farm in Marion township, where Mr. Cummins died in December, 1869. His widow resides upon the old homestead. They were the parents of thirteen children, viz.: William A.; Lycurgus R.; Mary J., deceased; Melinda, wife of A. F.

Hollister, of Youngstown, Ohio; John M., deceased; Lysander F.; Joseph; Walter C.; Mary E., wife of Alphonzo Forquer, of Marion township; Mellville, and James, both deceased; Samuel F., and Elizabeth J., wife of James M. Scott, of Butler. Mr. Cummins was an elder in the Presbyterian church, and one of the prominent members of that denomination in Butler county. Politically, he was a Republican, served in the legislature in 1843–44, was associate judge of Butler county for two terms, and justice of the peace for eighteen years.

Lycurgus R. Cummins was born in Washington county on September 19, 1834, and was three years old when his parents, Joseph and Eleanor Cummins, settled in Marion township. He remained with his father throughout his boyhood days, and subsequently learned the butcher's trade, which he now carries on at Harrisville. In October, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered in at Camp Orr, near Kittanning, and went down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers with General Negley, where his regiment joined the Army of the Cumberland. He participated in the battles of Stone River, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Tunnel Hill, Buzzard's Roost, Reseca, Dallas, New Hope Church, Kenesaw Mountain and Atlanta, and was mustered out on November 4, 1864, at Nashville, with the rank of sergeant. Mr. Cummins is a charter member of Z. C. Quillen Post, No. 246, G. A. R., also of the U. V. L., of Butler. On June 11, 1866, he married Margaret A. Timblin, of Concord township, a daughter of Jonathan Timblin. Eight children have been born to this union, viz.: Joseph A., deceased; Edwin L.; Sadie E.; Frank; Harry; Paul; Nellie G., and Eva M. Mr. Cummins is a member of the Presbyterian church. He is a stanch Republican, has been delegate to county conventions several times, has served on the school board, and is a member of the K. of H., and the A. O. U. W.

Thomas Humphrey, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, who came to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, after the Revolution, settled in what is now Worth township, Butler county, in 1798, where he owned 200 acres of land, two cows and one horse, in 1803. He purchased a tract of land from a jobber named Irwin, adjoining the James McNees claim, which McNees was holding for Irwin, and cleared a large area. Before leaving Westmoreland county he married Elizabeth Coulter, and died in 1839, leaving a widow and nine children. The widow died in 1848, and the last of the children, Mrs. Margaret Riddle, died in 1892. The names of the sons and daughters were as follows: James, who went west in 1830, and died there; William, who died in 1864; Thomas Armstrong, who died in Arkansas, in 1886; Harvey, who died in Missouri, in 1890; Jane, deceased wife of Jacob Emery; Margaret, deceased wife of John Riddle; Elizabeth, deceased wife of George Book; Mary, deceased wife of Michael Steintorf, and Sarah, who married Ebenezer Christy.

William Humphrey, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Humphrey, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1797, came with his parents to Butler county, and was reared upon the homestead in Worth township. He received from his father one-half of the 200-acre tract which he had entered, and upon this land he spent the remaining years of his life. In 1825 he married Elizabeth Dunbar, to which union were born the following children: Angeline, widow of Alexander

Rutter, of New Castle; James, who married Ruth Studebaker, and lives in Worth township; Mary, who married David Bennett; John; William, a resident of Portersville; Washington, who married in Texas and died there; Wilson, who married Annie Studebaker, and Ruth, who married D. P. Davis, of Worth township. Mr. Humphrey and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was an ardent Democrat.

JOHN HUMPHREY was born in Worth township, Butler county, July 16, 1833, son of William and Elizabeth Humphrey, and grandson of Thomas Humphrey. He attended the old Rocky Springs school, when his uncle, Thomas Humphrey, was teacher, but like other boys of the period was compelled to give more attention to farm work than to school matters. During the winter of 1852–53, he studied surveying under J. Irwin Hogue, and at the same time commenced to learn the carpenter's trade under Porterfield Martin. In the winter of 1853–54 he took charge of the old Rocky Springs school, where he presided for one term, subsequently teaching in the "Eight Square" and the "Centre" schools of Worth township, and the Martin school in Lawrence county. Mr. Humphrey worked at the carpenter's trade in connection with agricultural pursuits, the latter being always his favorite vocation. On August 28, 1856, he married Lydia Studebaker, a daughter of Henry, and a grand-daughter of David Studebaker, the first settler of Worth township. Five children were born to this marriage, viz.: Josephine; Lillian R., wife of W. F. Gardiner, of Jacksville; William H., who married Sadie Hay; Sherman C., who married Clara Studebaker, and Elizabeth, wife of Franklin Book. The mother died on January 6, 1879, aged forty two years, and was buried in Zion Baptist cemetery. On October 13, 1892, Mr. Humphrey married Mrs. Millie Book, of Worth township. Politically, 'Squire Humphrey has always been an unswerving Democrat, and in 1865 he was elected a justice of the peace, served two full terms, and then retired from public life. When his brother James was elected to the legislature in 1878, he resigned the office of justice, and the subject of this sketch was chosen to fill the vacancy. In 1882 he was elected for a full term, and re-elected in 1887. In January, 1890, 'Squire Humphrey was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board of county commissioners, and in the fall of that year he was elected to the same office, and served until January, 1894. He is one of the leading members of his party, and throughout his official life has retained the confidence of the best people of the community.

MATTHEW MCCOLLOUGH, SR., was born near Belfast, Ireland, in 1778, son of James McCollough. He acquired a fair education in his native land, and at the age of nineteen immigrated to Pennsylvania and located at Carlisle, where he engaged in teaching. He there learned the stonemasons's trade, which he followed in Cumberland and Butler counties for many years in connection with farming. Soon after settling at Carlisle he married Jane Hunter, a daughter of William Hunter, and about 1803, accompanied his father-in-law and family to Butler county. Mr. Hunter purchased 400 acres of land on and near the site of Prospect, in Franklin township, fifty acres of which he gave to Mr. McCollough. On a part of this the present borough of Prospect now stands. A proviso was attached to the gift that if he moved off the land he was not to sell it, but give

it to his two eldest children, which he did in 1818, at the time he removed to Muddy Creek township. Mr. McCollough erected a cabin, and began the work of clearing a farm, carrying on his trade in connection therewith. He assisted in the erection of the first jail at Butler, being employed by John Negley, the contractor. In 1818 he purchased 300 acres of land in Muddy Creek township, which now embraces the Hyle farm, and the Robert, William F., and William B. McCollough farms. He cleared and improved 100 acres of this tract, and erected the brick house on the farm now occupied by Robert and William B. McCollough. Here he remained throughout the balance of his life, dying in 1858. His wife died in 1842, and both are buried in the United Presbyterian graveyard at Prospect. Mr. McCollough was a member of Captain Martin's company in the War of 1812, and was stationed at Erie. His family consisted of the following children: Mary, deceased wife of David Jones; William, deceased; James, who died in Indiana; Thomas, deceased; Matthew, of Worth township; George W., a resident of New Castle; Robert, and Dinwiddie, both of whom died on the homestead. Mr. McCollough was one of the early members of White Oak Springs Covenanter church, but when the United Presbyterian church of Prospect was organized he united with that society, assisted in the erection of a church building, and was connected with it until his death. He was one of the oldest A. Y. Masons in Butler county, having been a member of a lodge in Belfast, Ireland. In politics, he was a life-long Democrat, filled many of the township offices, and took an active interest in public affairs.

Matthew McCollough, fourth son of Matthew and Jane McCollough, was born on the site of Prospect, Butler county, December 15, 1813, received a limited education in the pioneer schools, and was reared upon the home farm. He remained with his parents until 1834, then rented a farm in Franklin township, where he lived for seven years, and subsequently lived on two other rented farms in the same township for nine years. At the end of this time he purchased 117 acres in Worth township, upon which he has resided down to the present, devoting his sole attention to agriculture. Mr. McCollough has been twice married; his first wife was Jane White, only child of Andrew Spear and Angelina (Ford) White, pioneers of Franklin township; she died in 1844. Two children were born of this union, viz.: Andrew W., a prominent oil and gas operator of Butler, and Marion F., who was killed at the Wilderness, May 5, 1864, while serving in Company D, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve. His second wife was Fanny J. Shannon, a daughter of David Shannon, of Connoquenessing township, to which union were born nine children, as follows: Annie, wife of James Tebay; Jane, deceased wife of James Reed; Angelina, wife of Oscar McClymonds; Nannie, wife of S. B. Martincourt; Emma, wife of Archibald Marshall; David, and Marion. Mr. McCollough is a member of Portersville United Presbyterian church, and a liberal supporter of religious and educational institutions. In politics, he has always been a supporter of the Democratic party, and has filled several of the offices in his township. He is a man of commendable public spirit, and one of the representative pioneers of the community.

Christopher Wimer came from Adams county, Pennsylvania, to Butler county, in the year 1798, and located in Worth township, immediately north of

the site of Mechanicsburg. Mr. Wimer married a Miss Snyder, of Adams county, and reared a family of seven children, viz.: Samuel; John; Peter; Jonathan; William; Isaac, and Rebecca, who married Thomas Kelly, one of the early settlers of the township. The parents resided in this county the balance of their lives, leaving numerous descendants. Mr. Wimer was a Whig, in politics, and a member of the Seceder church.

SAMUEL WIMER, eldest child of Christopher Wimer, was born in Adams county, in 1792, and was six years old when his parents settled in Worth township. Here he grew to manhood enduring the trials and privations of pioneer days, and obtaining such an education as the schools of the period afforded. He later purchased the farm now owned by his son George, and resided upon it down to his death, in 1873. He married Elizabeth Hines, a daughter of Richard Hines, and reared the following children: Samuel, of Worth township; Mary J., deceased wife of James Abinett; Abner, deceased, and George.

GEORGE WIMER, youngest child of Samuel and Elizabeth Wimer, was born upon his present farm in 1835. Upon his father's death he inherited the old homestead, where his entire life has been passed. He makes his home with his brother Samuel. He owns 210 acres of well improved land, and is quite a successful farmer. In politics, he is a Republican, and an adherent of the United Presbyterian church.

BENEDICT GROSSMAN, a native of Germany, immigrated to York county, Pennsylvania, and there married Betsey Stivert. When six years old she was captured by Indians and held a prisoner for seven years. In 1797 Mr. Grossman, with his wife and five children, Simon, Benjamin, Jacob, Betsy, wife of of Robert Black, and Catherine, who subsequently married Jacob Kissinger, and his son-in-law, Robert Black, came to Butler county, and purchased lands in Cherry township. Another daughter, Polly, the wife of Robert McCallan, did not come for two years. Mr. Grossman brought with him a small stock of merchandise, which he placed in a log building in Washington township, in charge of Robert Black, but soon afterwards removed the goods to his home in Cherry township, and carried on a small store for several years. He was thus one of the pioneer merchants of the county. Mr. Grossman and wife died upon the homestead, and were buried on the Abner McCallan farm. Their sons, Simon and Benjamin, served in the War of 1812. Simon settled in Brady township, while Benjamin and Jacob made their homes in Slippery Rock.

SIMON GROSSMAN came with his parents to Butler county, and spent the remaining years of his life in this section of the State. He married a Miss Carothers, and reared the following children: Benjamin, born in 1801, and died in Brady township; Alexander, who died in Missouri; Eliza, deceased wife of Henry Black; Hugh C., who died in Brady township; John, who died in Franklin township; Simon and James, both of whom died in Brady; Robert, who died in St. Joseph, Missouri, and Polly, wife of William Webber. The parents died in Franklin township, the mother in 1844, and the father in 1849.

HUGH C. GROSSMAN, son of Simon Grossman, was born in Brady township, Butler county, April 3, 1810, was reared a farmer, and always followed that occupation. He married Mary A. Moore, October 13, 1842, to which union

were born the following children: Elizabeth A., wife of John Carnahan, of Kansas; Hugh H., of Worth township; James M., of Cherry township; Sarah C., wife of James Dunn, of Brady; Catherine S., deceased wife of Ezra Christie; Mary E., wife of Robert Fowser, of Butler; Ashley W., of Slippery Rock; Dora L., wife of James Stoughton, of Clay; Richard B., of Brady; Joseph G., of Worth; Lydia A., wife of Charles Hunt, of Lawrence county, and John S., a resident of Brady township. Mr. Grossman died on January 10, 1891, and his wife, April 12, 1892.

Hugh H. Grossman, son of Hugh C. and Mary A. Grossman, was born in Brady township, May 14, 1845, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. When twenty years of age he commenced life for himself, working on a farm, subsequently had charge of a portion of the homestead, given him by his father, which he sold, and purchased from John Craig his present home of ninety acres, lying northeast of Jacksville, upon which he has resided since 1872. Mr. Grossman was married April 16, 1872, to Rebecca A. Wick, a daughter of Henry E. Wick, of Slippery Rock township. Six children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Araminta F.; Hugh H.; Lewis A.; William S.; Perry G., and Irene, all of whom are living at home. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, Mr. Grossman is a Republican.

John Moore, Sr., was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1761, son of William Moore, a native of Ireland. After reaching his maturity, he went to Washington county, lived there a short time, and about 1800 came to Butler county and located about two miles south of the present Moore homestead, which he purchased two years later. He resided upon this farm until his death, in 1851. He married Elizabeth McClintock, who died in 1840. They were the parents of five children, all of whom are dead, viz.: William; James; Sarah; John, and Mary.

William Moore was born in Chester county, and came with his parents to Butler county, where he was reared and spent the remaining years of his life. He followed farming upon the old homestead, where he died in 1868. He married Mary McClymonds, a daughter of Thomas McClymonds. She died in 1870, the mother of the following children: John, deceased; Thomas; Jane; William, who was killedat Gaines Mill; James, of Worth township; Samuel, who was killed at Petersburg, and Elizabeth, who died in childhood.

Thomas Moore was born on his present farm, in Worth township, in 1829, and his entire life has been devoted to agricultural pursuits. After arriving at manhood he bought a farm two miles south of the homestead, which he sold two years later and purchased a place in Slippery Rock township, where he lived from 1856 to 1869. On the death of his father he returned home, and has since resided upon the homestead. Mr. Moore was married May 18, 1852, to Mary Glenn, a daughter of Robert Glenn, of Worth township, who has borne him the following children: Elizabeth, and Tressa, both of whom died in childhood; William R., who lives on the homestead; James N., a member of the Butler bar; John G., a resident of Butler; Jennie, who died in childhood, and Olive. Mr. Moore is a stanch Republican, and filled the offices of collector and constable

while living in Slippery Rock township, and has been road commissioner in Worth township. The family are adherents of the United Presbyterian church, and Mr. Moore is an elder and trustee in that society. He cultivates 165 acres of well improved land, and is one of the leading farmers and stock-growers in his township.

JOHN MOORE was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, eldest son of Samuel Moore, and came to Brady township, Butler county, with his parents. He grew to manhood in this county, receiving such an education as the schools of the period afforded. In 1829 he purchased the farm in Muddy Creek township now owned by Samuel Jones, upon which he resided until his death, July 19, 1833. Mr. Moore was married on March 10, 1829, to Anna McClymonds, a daughter of Thomas McClymonds, to which union were born two children, viz.: Jane, who died unmarried, May 13, 1875, and Samuel H., of Worth township. The mother married for her second husband, James Moore, no connection of her first husband, and died June 1, 1889.

SAMUEL H. MOORE, only son of John and Anna Moore, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, November 21, 1829, was reared upon his stepfather's farm in Worth township, and received a common school education. When he was twenty-three years of age, he settled upon the farm purchased by his father in Muddy Creek township, where he lived until 1866, in which year he bought his present homestead of 100 acres. Here he has erected buildings and made the necessary improvements, and possesses one of the best farms in his locality. Politically, he is a Republican, and has always taken a deep interest in the public schools of the county. All of his children have taught school, and he has served as a school director for many years. In 1880 he was elected a justice of the peace, and re-elected in 1885. On November 23, 1852, Mr. Moore married Katie J. Patterson, a daughter of John Patterson, and is the father of five children, viz.: Hannah C., wife of J. M. Hunt; Anna J., wife of J. W. Phillips; Martha V., wife of Samuel Kildoo; John M., and Edith. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church of Harlansburg.

SAMUEL CORNELIUS was born in Worth township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1804, and received his education in one of the pioneer subscription schools. He grew to maturity upon his father's farm, and in 1827 he married Margaret, a daughter of Thomas McClymonds, of Muddy Creek township. Eleven children were the fruits of this union, nine of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Col. James E., who died from wounds received in the Rebellion; Samuel M.; Lieut. Isaac W., killed at the battle of Cold Harbor; Mary A., wife of George Kennedy, of Slippery Rock township; Thomas J., who was killed at the battle of Gaines Mill; John C., who was killed at Fredericksburg; Alexander M.; William M., and Jesse G. Mr. Cornelius was a member of the Seceder church, and died in 1868. His widow survived ten years, dying in 1878. Politically, he was in early days a Whig, but upon the formation of the Republican party he joined that organization, and remained faithful to its principles down to his death.

ROBERT BARRON was born in Down county, Ireland, September 19, 1832, son of David and Margaret (Gibson) Barron, who were married in Ireland in

1831. His father was a son of John Barron, a native of Down county, Ireland, and grandson of John Barron, Sr., a farmer of the same county. The latter had a family of eight children: Archie; John; William; David; Robert; Margaret; James, and Samuel. The second son, John, was the grandfather of our subject, and died in Down county, aged eighty-five years. His sons William; Robert; John, and David, came to the United States. William, a school teacher, died in West Virginia; Robert, a merchant, died in Ohio, and John, a weaver, worked in Pittsburg ten years, and then returned to Ireland and died there. David, the father of Robert, was a weaver, but followed farming until 1834, in which year he came to the United States, leaving his wife and child in Ireland, and died at Steubenville, Ohio. His widow and child made their home with her parents, James and Susan (Hines) Gibson. Her maternal grandfather, Richard Hines, came to this country in 1800, with his wife and five children, viz.: Richard; George; Eleanor; Betty, and Jane, leaving behind Alexander and Susan. They afterwards settled in Brady township, Butler county. Alexander later came to this county, and died at the home of his parents. Their children, George, Eleanor, and Jane, also died at home. Richard located on a farm in Brady township, married Betsey Brandon, and two of his children, Eli and Mrs. Mary Gibson, reside on the old Hines homestead. The mother of our subject married George Dixon, and remained in Ireland. Robert came to the United States when seventeen years of age, worked for a short time on a railroad at Albany, New York, and then came to the home of his grandmother, Susan Gibson, of Worth township, Butler county. Here he remained for two years, working on a farm in summer and attending school in winter. He afterwards learned the plasterer's trade, and worked at it until 1872. In 1860 he bought 100 acres of land upon which he now resides, sent for his mother and her husband, and gave them a home during their declining years. He has added to his farm from time to time until he now owns 250 acres, and is one of the leading farmers of the township. Mr. Barron was married, September 28, 1854, to Mrs. Mary Craig, *nee* Shaffer, and has five children, viz.: Joseph, who married a daughter of Alexander Black, and lives on a part of the homestead; Mary C., wife of A. V. Grossman, of Brady township; Robert J., who died at the age of seven; Elizabeth J., wife of W. P. Martin, of Venango township, and Alvirda, wife of Jacob Milleman, of Harmony. In 1872 Mr. Barron was elected, on the Republican ticket, to the office of county commissioner, and re-elected in 1875. During this time he purchased the Willard Hotel, conducted it for a short time, and subsequently sold it. For many years he has been prominent in the local councils of his party, and has filled nearly all the township offices. In March, 1885, he served as foreman of the grand jury in the United States district court at Scranton. Mr. Barron is now vice-president of the Worth Mutual Fire Insurance Company, filled the office of president of the company for two years, and has also served on the board of directors. He was an elder in the Slippery Rock United Presbyterian church for twenty-five years, and for two years has filled the same office in the West Liberty United Presbyterian church.

John Craig, a son of John Craig, was born in Ireland, in 1782, there grew to manhood and married Nancy Hinds. They reared five children, viz.: George,

who came to Butler county in 1839, and was killed while working on the canal near Sharon, Mercer county; William; James; Sarah, and John. In 1841 Mr. Craig and family immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Butler county. He rented the Wigton farm, celebrated as the home of the Wigton family murdered by the Indian, Mohawk, which he cultivated for three years. Later he and his son William bought a farm in Worth township, where Mr. Craig died in 1866, aged eighty-four years, and his wife, in 1872, aged ninety years. Their sons, William and James, also died on this farm, while Sarah, who married Samuel Gibson, is also dead.

JOHN CRAIG, JR., only living child of John and Nancy Craig, was born in Ireland, February 9, 1823, and was about eighteen years of age when the family settled in Butler county. He afterwards rented a farm for two years, and then purchased the H. H. Grossman farm, which he sold in 1873. He went to Virginia, purchased a farm in that State, and lived there for three years, then sold it and returned to Worth township, bought his present homestead, and has since been engaged in farming upon it. Mr. Craig was married February 11, 1846, to Esther Clark, a daughter of James Clark, of Slippery Rock township. Both he and wife are members of the Baptist church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. His homestead, containing seventy-four acres, is on the line of Lawrence county, the county line dividing it.

DAVID LOCKE was born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, February 28, 1839, son of Thomas Locke, and grandson of William Locke. His father was a native of Lawrence county, married Sarah Fox, and reared a family of five children, viz.: Mary, wife of William McCracken; John; David; William, deceased, and Maria A., wife of David McCracken, of New Castle. Thomas Locke died in 1846. When fifteen years old David began life for himself as a common laborer, and afterwards learned the shoemaker's trade, which he worked at for three years in Lawrence county. In 1861 he went to the oil country, and worked from Titusville to the river, drilling oil wells. After about six months he left the oil country, and on August 27, 1861, married Catherine Rodgers, a daughter of Nathaniel and Catherine Rodgers, of Lawrence county. She was born December 3, 1838, and is the mother of the following children: William E., of New Castle; Jennie, deceased; John, also a resident of New Castle; Catherine E., wife of Edward Crocker; Earnest L.; Sarah D., wife of Harry Rodgers; David F.; Anna C.; Alice T., deceased, and LeRoy N. After his marriage Mr. Locke took up his residence in Mercer county, and for three years worked at his trade during the winter months, and for James Uber on a farm in summer. He then moved to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, and worked on a farm for David Porter. At the expiration of five years he rented a farm from David Armstrong, on which he remained three years. He next rented a farm from Philip Fair and lived on it two years, after which he moved near Centreville and resided one year, when he bought the place upon which he now resides from William Crocker. Mr. Locke and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

EDWARD CAMPBELL was born in Hickory township, Lawrence county, February 22, 1829, son of Robert Campbell. He received a common school edu-

cation, learned the plasterer's trade, and followed that in connection with farming. In 1849 he married Lavina Smart, of Lawrence county, to which union were born eight children, as follows: Robert M.; Joseph G.; William J.; Ammon H.: James E; Mary E., wife of William Kildoo; Ruth E., wife of Frank Black, and Charles L. Mr. Campbell located in Worth township, Butler county, in 1866, upon the old Stoughton farm, and there died in 1889, and his wife in 1891. They were members of the Baptist church, and he was connected with Portersville Lodge, I. O. O. F. In politics, he was a stanch Democrat.

John Hockenberry, a native of Perry county, Pennsylvania, came to Butler county about 1803, and settled in Brady township. He resided there for several years, and then removed to Cherry township, where he died. He married Hannah Kelly, and was the father of eight children, viz.: John; Casper; Jonathan; Elizabeth, who married James Buchanan; Jane, who married Moses McCandless; Annie, who married and died in Ohio; Ellen, who married William Graham, and Joseph, all of whom are dead.

Casper Hockenberry, Sr., second son of John and Hannah Hockenberry, was born in Perry county, in 1785, came with his parents to Butler county, and about 1810 located on Muddy creek, in Worth township. He purchased 200 acres of land, upon which he spent the remaining years of his life, and died on October 29, 1860. He married Margaret Shaffer, who bore him the following children: Annie, who married Jonathan Wimer; Joseph, a resident of Butler; Catherine, wife of J. J. Baker; Hannah, deceased wife of William Gallagher; Effie, wife of Joseph Forrester; Mahala, wife of Sheplar Boston; William, who died recently in Worth township, and Mary, wife of Elijah Rolls.

Joseph Hockenberry, eldest son of Casper and Margaret Hockenberry, was born January 16, 1814. After arriving at maturity he purchased a farm in Worth township, but subsequently removed to Franklin township, and followed agriculture until 1891. He then retired from active business life, and located in Butler, where he is spending his declining years. Mr. Hockenberry has been twice married. His first wife was Eliza Kennedy, a daughter of David Kennedy. She died in 1878, leaving six children, viz.: Casper; Euphemia, wife of Jacob Shields; Mary J., wife of J. S. Snyder; Margaret, who married William Bennet, and after his death John Hunt; Mahala, wife of James Cratty, and J. Pierce. His second wife was Mrs. Mary J. Lepley, who died in 1883.

Casper Hockenberry, eldest son of Joseph and Eliza (Kennedy) Hockenberry, was born on the Hockenberry homestead, in Worth township, November 27, 1835. He obtained a common school education, and was reared a farmer. In 1864 he purchased seventy-five acres in Franklin township, to which he has since added the same amount, and has resided upon this farm up to the present. He is also the owner of 100 acres in Connoquenessing township. In 1891 oil was discovered upon his farm in Franklin township, which now contains ten producing wells, which bring him in a comfortable competence. Mr. Hockenberry is one of the successful farmers of the county, and a man of enterprise and public spirit. In 1864 he married Priscilla Bryan, a daughter of Robert Steel Bryan, of Cherry township. Fourteen children have been born to this union, viz.: Wilbert E.; Margaret C., wife of William Cooper; Robert M.; Joseph

M.; Mary E., wife of Lewis Double; Casper A.; William M.; Amelia; James C.; Ann Eliza; Blanche; David; Milton, and Ernest. Mr. Hockenberry is a stanch Democrat, and is a member of the Baptist church. He is recognized as one of the leading citizens of the community.

William Hockenberry, youngest son of Casper and Margaret Hockenberry, was born in Worth township, Butler county, March 30, 1827, and died upon his homestead, December 15, 1893. He was reared to farm life, and received a common school education. When twenty-three years of age, his father having died, William began life for himself, and continued to follow agricultural pursuits until his death. On October 2, 1851, he married Mary Fisher, a daughter of Jacob Fisher, of Worth township, who survives him. Ten children blessed this union, viz.: James N., a resident of Illinois; Nancy, wife of William Steckle, of Butler; Hampson, of Brady township; Casper J., of New Castle; Lizzie, wife of William Shields, of Worth township; Clara, wife of Benjamin Lillie, of Coraopolis; Iva J., wife of John Lemmon, of Jackson township; Marion F., who resides on the homestead, and Nettie R., wife of Edward Johnson, of Connoquenessing township. Mr. Hockenberry was a member of the Baptist church, and in politics, a Democrat.

John Thompson, Sr., a native of Antrim county, Ireland, immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1795, and in April, 1799, removed from Chartiers creek, Allegheny county, to what is now Brady township, Butler county. He was married in Ireland to Martha Humes, who became the mother of six sons and five daughters, as follows: William H.; John H.; Robert W.; Thomas C.; Humes, and James. The daughters were, Jane, who married James Allsworth; Elizabeth, who married Nathan F. McCandless; Margaret, who married James W. Turk; Martha, who married John S. McCandless, whose father was the first sheriff of Butler county, and Mary, who became the wife of William Cooper. The sons were very large men, and were noted for their great physical strength. Mr. Thompson owned 1,000 acres of land, was one of the leading pioneers of the county, and died in 1846, aged ninety-six years. His wife survived him many years, and died on March 6, 1861. Both were pioneer members of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church.

William H. Thompson was born in Allegheny county, December 1, 1796, eldest son of John and Martha Thompson. He came to Butler county with his parents, was reared on the old homestead in Brady township, and spent his entire life on the farm. He stood six feet five inches in height, and was recognized as the strongest man in the county. He married Jane McCandless, a daughter of John McCandless, and reared three children, viz.: John M., of Butler; William G., of Marion, Iowa, and Solomon R., of Brady township. Mr. Thompson was a Republican, in politics, and both he and wife were members of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church. He died August 19, 1867, and his wife the following year, in the seventy-second year of her age.

John H. Thompson, second son of John and Martha Thompson, was born on Chartiers creek, Allegheny county, December 1, 1798, and removed with his parents to Butler county the following April, where he was reared and educated. He married Jane C. McCandless, a daughter of William McCandless, a

pioneer of Centre township, and settled on a part of the land purchased by his father. They became the parents of seven children, as follows: Martha A., deceased, who first married James W. Coulter, and for her second husband, David Stapleton; Nancy J., wife of S. W. Pingrey, of Durango, Colorado; Jemima, wife of Lewis Wigton, of California; Josiah M., of Brady township; Mary E., who first married William Lytle, and is now the wife of Rev. William Lodge, of Iowa City, Iowa; Keziah H., wife of Addison Miller, of Butler, and E. Julia, deceased wife of T. H. Lyon. Mr. Thompson and wife were members of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, and in politics, he was a Republican. He died December 21, 1860. His widow resides with her son, Josiah M., at the ripe age of eighty-nine years.

Robert W. Thompson, third son of John and Martha Thompson, was born upon his father's farm in Brady township, Butler county, in 1803. He grew to manhood inured to the trials and hardships of pioneer life, and inherited the homestead from his parents. He married Frances Craig, to which union were born five children, viz.: Nelson H., who resides upon the old homestead in Brady township; Martha B., wife of Benjamin Scott, of Venango county; Jennie F.; Maggie R., wife of Frank P. Critchlow, of Prospect, and Robert C. The parents spent their whole lives in Brady township.

Solomon R. Thompson, youngest son of William H. and Jane Thompson, was born on his grandfather's homestead, in Brady township, March 17, 1831. He was reared on the farm, and attended the common schools of his neighborhood. After the death of his father he inherited the old Thompson homestead, where he has spent his life engaged in farming. He married Martha McCandless, a daughter of Nathan McCandless, to which union have been born eight children, viz.: Nathan, of Smethport; William G., deceased; Edna; Edwin C.; Mary E.; Anna Loretta; William H., and Charles W. Mr. Thompson has been a life-long member of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, and since the organization of the Republican party he has given it an unswerving support.

Edwin C. Thompson, physician and surgeon, son of Solomon R. and Martha (McCandless) Thompson, was born July 14, 1861, in Brady township, Butler county. He was educated in the common schools, and at West Sunbury Academy and Grove City College. He read medicine with Dr. A. A. Kelty, of Rose Point, Lawrence county, attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and subsequently spent two years in the medical department of the Western Reserve College, Cleveland, Ohio, graduating from the latter institution, February 28, 1885. His certificate of graduation was endorsed by the Medico Chirurgical College, January 13, 1892. In March, 1885, he commenced practice at West Liberty, Butler county, where for the past ten years he has continued in the active duties of his profession. He is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, and keeps well abreast of the improvements in medical science. Dr. Thompson is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Republican, but takes no active interest in public affairs. He was married March 31, 1885, to Berdena Stapleton, a daughter of David Stapleton, of Iowa City, Iowa, and is the father of two daughters, Franc, deceased, and Mary.

Conrad Snyder, Sr., was born in Switzerland in 1735, there married, and fled with his wife from his native land to the Netherlands to escape conscription into the French army. On reaching his destination he learned for the first time of America, and decided to come to this country. He sold his time for transportation for himself and wife, and it is believed that he served seven years in one of the eastern counties of this State to pay for his passage. He removed from Philadelphia county to Bedford county, thence to Westmoreland, and in 1800 accompanied his son Conrad and family to Butler county. They settled in Brady township, where he died on March 10, 1827, at the advanced age of ninety-two years. His wife, Nancy, died July 16, 1803, and both are buried in the graveyard on the Snyder farm. They reared three children, viz.: Catherine, who married Frederick Dubbs; Nancy, who married Daniel Carter, and Conrad.

Conrad Snyder, Jr., son of Conrad and Nancy Snyder, was born in Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania, in 1777, and came with his parents to Butler county when about twenty-three years of age. He purchased 400 acres of land, now known as the Watson farm, but subsequently sold one-half of this tract, and gave the remaining half to his daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Double. After residing here some years he purchased 200 acres in Brady township, where his son Conrad now lives, and here he spent the remaining years of his life. He was the most extensive farmer and stock-breeder in this section of the country, and a few years before his death owned 3,000 acres, situated in Brady, Franklin, and Slippery Rock townships. He gave to each of his children 200 acres of land, and at his death the remainder was sold and the proceeds divided among his children. Mr. Snyder was quite a celebrated hunter, and during pioneer days made considerable money in this way, which he carefully invested in stock and lands. He was a self educated man, and could read and write both English and German fluently. In politics, he was first a Whig and afterwards a Republican, but would never accept any public office. He was one of the pioneer members of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church. Mr. Snyder married Ann M. Bryan, a daughter of Seth Bryan, of Westmoreland county. Nine children blessed this union, named as follows: John, who married Elizabeth Ralston, and lived and died in Brady township; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Seth Double; Mary, deceased wife of Thomas Strain; Nancy, deceased wife of Isaac Double; Zephaniah, who married Rachel Kennedy, and died in Brady township; Prudence, deceased wife of John Webb; Effie J., widow of Humes Thompson; Conrad, of Brady township, and Catherine, widow of John Croll. Mr. Snyder died February 27, 1866, and his wife, January 2, 1869, in the eighty-eighth year of her age.

Conrad Snyder, youngest son of Conrad and Ann M. Snyder, was born upon his present farm in Brady township, November 2, 1822. He received such an education as the common schools afforded, and grew to manhood beneath the parental roof, assisting his parents in carrying on the farm, which his father gave to him a few years before his death. He retired from active business life in 1893, and the farm is now managed by his son, Everett C. He married Nancy McCandless, a daughter of James McCandless, of Franklin township. She was born January 6, 1826, and died November 28, 1863. Mrs. Snyder was the

mother of the following children: Lavina, wife of Lyman P. Hilliard; Elva T., who married Sarah McCall; Emeline S., wife of John Allen; Alfred H., who married Ann Campbell; Alvin C., who married Laura McNees; Mary A., wife of Josiah P. McCall; Everett C., who married Edith Abernathy, and Nancy J., deceased. Politically, Mr. Snyder is a Republican, but like his father would never accept office of any kind. He has been a life-long member of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, and is one of the leading citizens of the community.

Zephaniah Snyder, son of Conrad and Ann M. Snyder, and grandson of Conrad Snyder, Sr., was born upon the old homestead in Brady township, Butler county, January 17, 1813, and grew to manhood amidst the scenes of pioneer days. He settled on 200 acres of land where John Grossman now lives, in Brady township, and here he resided down to his death, June 12, 1887. He married Rachel Kennedy, a daughter of John Kennedy, of Franklin township, who resides with her daughter, Mrs. John McNees. Nine children were the fruits of this union, viz.: Louisa, who died in 1892; Joseph C.; Mary E., wife of John McNees; Eleanor J., widow of Nicholas Ifft; Effie, wife of Robert Allen; Harvey N., of Kittanning; Rachel E., wife of W. B. Curry; Seth, and Lorenzo B. Mr. Snyder was a Republican, and took quite an active interest in local political matters. He was a member of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church.

Joseph C. Snyder, eldest son of Zephaniah and Rachel Snyder, was born November 24, 1837, upon the homestead farm. He received a common school education, and at the age of twenty-one engaged in merchandising, which business he followed for a few years at West Liberty. He then purchased his present farm of 141 acres, to the cultivation and improvement of which he has since devoted his attention. In 1859 he married Mary J. Hockenberry, a daughter of Joseph Hockenberry, who has borne him a family of eight children, viz.: Rachel A., wife of Oscar Boozel; Joseph A., of Butler; Mary F., deceased; Armada, wife of Milo V. Gold; Hosea Z.; David L.; Robert K., and Clara M. Mr. Snyder is a stanch Republican, was elected justice of the peace in 1876, and served five years. He has also filled the office of school director, and has been quite active in the local councils of his party. He is a member of Muddy Creek Presbyterian church, in which society he has served as trustee. He is recognized as one of the enterprising and public-spirited citizens of his township, and gives his support to every worthy project.

Robert Glenn was a son of John Glenn, a native of Ireland, who settled in Centre county. His father was twice married, and on his second marriage he purchased land in Kentucky for the children of his first wife, and the Glenns of that State are his descendants. Robert was a son of the second marriage, and was born in Centre county about 1773. He came to Mercer county about 1808, purchased 200 acres of land in Pine township, and 175 acres in Butler county, but did not settle upon either. The same year he bought of John Hockenberry and William Elliott 300 acres of land where his grandson, John A. Glenn, now resides, in Worth township, upon which he settled in 1810. He built the stone house still standing, where he died in 1833. He is buried in the United Presbyterian graveyard of Worth township. Mr. Glenn married Martha Borland, of Centre county, who bore him a family of eight children, viz.: John, who served

in the War of 1812, and died on the homestead; Mary, deceased wife of John Gilfillan; Andrew; Catherine, deceased wife of James Humphrey; Robert, who died in Worth township; Margaret, deceased wife of John Christie; William, who died in Beaver county, and Archibald, who died in Muddy Creek township.

Andrew Glenn, son of Robert and Martha Glenn, was born in Centre county, and came with his parents to this county in childhood. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and learned the blacksmith's trade with John Emery, whom his father had established in business on the Glenn farm. About 1824 he settled on a portion of the homestead, in Brady township, where his son Robert F. now lives. He erected a blacksmith's shop and carried on that business until 1833, in connection with farming. He returned to the old homestead after his father's death, then purchased the property, and resided there the balance of his life. He died in 1869. In politics, he was a Republican, and in religion, was an adherent of the Seceder church, in which society he filled the office of elder. Mr. Glenn married Ann Eakin, a daughter of Robert Eakin, of Lawrence county. She died in 1844, the mother of the following children: Robert F.; Alexander, and Martha J., both deceased; Aaron, of Iowa; Polly, deceased; Martha J., widow of Ezekiel Wilson; Wilhelmina, wife of Presley Gill; John A., and Margaret, deceased. His second wife was Mary Maxwell, who bore one daughter, Annie E., wife of Benjamin Thompson.

Robert F. Glenn, eldest son of Andrew and Ann Glenn, was born September 21, 1820, upon the old homestead farm. He assisted his parents in the farm duties during boyhood days, and attended the district school of his neighborhood. In 1842 he settled upon his present farm, the site of his father's first settlement, and here he has resided for more than fifty years, following the peaceful avocation of a farmer's life. He owns 200 acres of well improved land, and is a prosperous and well-to-do citizen. In 1842 he married Sarah Moore, a daughter of Samuel Moore, one of the pioneers of Brady township, and has two children, Margaret, and Samuel C., the latter of whom carries on the farm for his father. Mr. Glenn was a member of the first Republican organization in the county, and has always supported that party. Originally a member of the Seceder church, he later united with the Centreville United Presbyterian society, in which he fills the office of trustee.

John Wick, a native of New Jersey, came to Armstrong county in 1796, and early in the present century removed to what is now Brady township, Butler county. He married a Miss Ferguson, and their children were as follows: James; John; Elisha; William; Jeremiah; Margaret; Sarah; Jemima; Elizabeth, and Jane. The parents spent the balance of their lives in this county. The second son, John, was born in 1795, and came with his parents to Butler county, where he grew to manhood. He married Mary Wigton, a daughter of John Wigton, and was the father of the following children: Henry E.; Perry; Mary J.; Harvey; Sarah; Alfred, and Lewis. The family lived in Slippery Rock and Brady townships, and the parents spent their lives in that part of the county.

Henry E. Wick was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, August 22, 1825, eldest child of John and Mary Wick. He grew to manhood upon the homestead farm, and then commenced buying and shipping horses.

He afterwards followed merchandising and the lumber business over forty-five years, a portion of the time at Wick station, which was named for him and where he was the first postmaster. Mr. Wick married Elizabeth Smith, a daughter of Daniel Smith, a Scotchman, an early settler of Brady township. Thirteen children were the fruits of this union, as follows: John S.; Mary J.; Rebecca A.; Lewis C.; Sarah M., deceased; Elizabeth Z.; Alfred H.; Perry C.; Rosallia A.; William S.; Walter S., deceased; Florence A., and Amy F. Mr. Wick has been a Republican since the organization of the party, and was a delegate from Butler county to the first Republican convention at Pittsburg, in 1855. In 1887 he located at Oil City, but is now a resident of Butler.

James P. McQuistion was born in Brady township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1844, received a common school education and was reared a farmer. After arriving at manhood he embarked in stock-dealing and merchandising at Centreville. Soon after the war commenced he enlisted in the three months' service, and when his term expired he re-enlisted in the artillery and served three years. He was honorably discharged when his term had expired, and then returned to his home in Butler county. In 1865 he married Eleanor, a daughter of William Hunter, of Pittsburg, to which union were born six children, as follows: Charles F. L.; Clare E.; Emma V.; Orville, deceased; Frank E., and Rolla H. Mr. McQuistion was a member of Bingham Post, G. A. R., of Centreville, and resided in that locality down to his death. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, a trustee in that denomination, and also a Sabbath school teacher. Politically, he was a Republican, and filled the offices of justice of the peace and school director.

Joseph Donaghy was born in Antrim county, Ireland, December 27, 1805, a son of Thomas and Catherine (Gordon) Donaghy. He learned the carpenter's trade in his native land, and in 1830 immigrated to St. Johns, New Brunswick, where he found employment until 1832. In the latter year he removed to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where he continued to work at his trade, and later engaged in the grocery business until 1840. He then located at Centreville, Butler county, and embarked in merchandising. In 1844 he purchased 175 acres of land in Brady township, and here he devoted the remaining years of his life to agriculture. He married, in Ireland, Nancy Murray, March 23, 1827. She was a daughter of George Murray, of Antrim county, Ireland, and bore him the following children: Thomas; Jane M, wife of James Hall; George, who died in infancy; George W., of Pittsburg; Mary A., wife of J. C. Gill; Martha M., wife of William Gill; Lucinda G.; Amanda M.; Nancy, and Emma F., the last four of whom are dead, and James H. Mr. Donaghy was a stanch Democrat, and served as burgess of Centreville. He was one of the original members of the Centreville United Presbyterian church, and died January 17, 1863. His widow resides with her son, James H., upon the old homestead, where she has lived for more than a half a century.

James H. Donaghy, youngest son of Joseph and Nancy Donaghy, was born upon the farm where he now resides, June 4, 1848. He was educated in the common schools and at Duff's Commercial College, of Pittsburg, and has

devoted his entire attention to agriculture. He is one of the leading Democrats of his township, as well as one of its progressive and enterprising citizens.

SAMUEL RIDDLE, SR., came from Chester county, Pennsylvania, about 1800, and settled in Butler township, Butler county, close to what is now the limits of the borough of Butler. He subsequently purchased a farm in Franklin township, upon which James Cratty resides. It contained 100 acres, upon which he erected a log house and began the work of making a home for himself and family. He prospered in his efforts, and afterwards purchased the two farms where his grandsons, James and Samuel Riddle, now live, but died upon his original purchase, at the remarkable age of ninety-six years. Mr. Riddle married Hannah Harvey, and by this union became the father of the following children: Martha, who married Dr. Andrew Spear; James; Matilda, who married Jacob Brinker; Eliza, who married Norbert Foltz; John; Samuel, and Julia, who married James Harvey.

JAMES RIDDLE, eldest son of Samuel Riddle, was born in 1796, in Chester county, Pennsylvania, and was about four years old, when his parents settled in Butler county. He was reared upon the homestead in Franklin township, and afterwards located upon the farm now owned by his son Samuel, which he cleared and improved. He died there in 1870, aged seventy-four years. He married Sarah Potts, a native of Ireland, who died in 1837, leaving a family of seven children, viz.: William; Samuel; John, deceased; James; George, who died in Tennessee; Alfred, a resident of Missouri, and Abner J., who lives in Kentucky. Mr. Riddle married for his second wife Eliza Potts, a sister of his first wife, who bore him the following children: Francis S.; Sarah, deceased wife of Joseph Sponsler; Anna E., wife of John McClure; Theodore, and Nelson, who died from wounds received at Chancellorsville. Mr. Riddle was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Prospect, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Democratic party.

SAMUEL RIDDLE, second in the family of James and Sarah Riddle, was born May 22, 1825, upon the farm where his brother James resides, in Franklin township, Butler county. He received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. In 1850 he went to California, where he worked in the mines for two years, then returned to Butler county, and embarked in merchandising and hotel keeping at Prospect, in partnership with Jacob Phipps, under the firm name of Phipps & Riddle, which existed for two years. He next located at Wesleyville, Venango county, where he conducted a store and hotel for one year. Returning to Prospect, he was interested in various enterprises until 1859, when he again went to California, but remained on the Pacific coast only a short time. He then established a confectionery business at Prospect, which he carried on for several years. In 1867 he was elected a justice of the peace, and served in that capacity for twenty-six years, removing to his farm in Franklin township in April, 1893. Mr. Riddle was married in 1853, to Elizabeth Allen, a native of Ireland, and their family are as follows: James; Margaret, deceased; Victor E.; Letitia, deceased wife of George Cowan; Alvin, and Annie, widow of George Cowan. While a resident of Prospect, Mr. Riddle was one of the progressive citizens of the borough, and filled many of the public offices. He has

been a life-long Democrat, and is an ardent supporter of the measures and principles of that party.

Thomas Critchlow was born in Connoquenessing township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, October 5, 1812, son of John and Sophia (Gray) Critchlow, early settlers of this county. His father enlisted in the War of 1812, and died at Black Rock, on the Niagara river. From an old diary of Thomas Critchlow's, it is learned that he was at Bald Ridge, in Connoquenessing township, at the age of sixteen, working upon a farm, believed to have been purchased by his father. He possessed a good education, and engaged in teaching in that locality. In 1844 he embarked in merchandising at Petersville, erected a store building there, and carried on business until 1859, when he removed to Prospect. He erected a store building in the borough, on the site of S. S. Forrester's store, where he conducted business two days a week, Fridays and Saturdays, until 1883, when he retired, transferring his business to his sons, F. P. and T. J. In 1862 he purchased the original fair grounds at Prospect, which he owned for several years, as well as considerable real estate in and around that borough. Politically, he was an ardent Democrat, and served as school director, always taking an active interest in educational matters. Mr. Critchlow married Eliza Dodds, a daughter of James Dodds, which union was blessed with four children, viz.: Frank P.; George W., a minister; Thomas J., and Dillie, wife of O. M. Russell. Mr. Critchlow died December 28, 1889, and his wife, July 27, 1891.

Frank P. Critchlow, eldest son of Thomas and Eliza Critchlow, was born at Petersville, Butler county, December 4, 1825. He received his primary education in the common schools and subsequently attended Waynesburg College. He taught in the schools of Franklin, Washington, Muddy Creek and Clay townships, for some years, and afterwards engaged in the huckster business. He next entered the employ of Thomas Wilson, of Centreville, as clerk, and in 1883 formed a partnership with his brother, Thomas J., and succeeded to their father's business at Prospect, which they have since successfully carried on. Mr. Critchlow was married February 28, 1888, to Maggie R. Thompson, to which union have been born four children, viz.: Howard T.; T. Roscoe; Robert F., and Alice. Politically, he was a Democrat until within a few years, when he became a Prohibitionist, and was the candidate of that party for the legislature in 1887. He has filled the office of school director for nine years, and is also a member of the borough council of Prospect. Mr. Critchlow is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Prospect, and is an elder in that society. He is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M., and the A. O. U. W.

Rev. George W. Critchlow, second son of Thomas Critchlow, was born in Petersville, Butler county, received a good education and afterwards studied for the Lutheran ministry. He is now located at Sagerstown, Crawford county, where he has charge of the Lutheran congregation. He married Felecia Nesbit, and they are the parents of five children.

James Cratty came to Muddy Creek township, Butler county, from the vicinity of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, early in the present century, and settled upon the land now owned by Joshua McCandless. He was accompanied to this county by his brothers, Robert and Thomas, and sister Rachel. His

brothers each selected a tract of 400 acres, upon which they settled. James was twice married, his first wife being Mary Johnston, a daughter of Bernard Johnston, to whom were born two children, viz.: Sarah, deceased wife of Joseph White, and Mary, wife of James McDonald. His second wife was Jane English, who became the mother of the following children: Thomas; Jane, deceased wife of David Dunmire; Margaret, deceased wife of Robert Morrison; Elizabeth, wife of James Morrison; Rachel; Anne, deceased wife of Nelson Myers; Matilda, deceased wife of William Phillips; James, deceased; Prudence, deceased wife of Alexander Wilson; Catherine, wife of Conrad Shanor; Samuel; William; Robert, and John, the last four of whom are dead. Mr. Cratty was a member of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church. He was one of the early assessors and collectors of the township, was a Democrat in early life, and later a Republican. He served in the War of 1812, as a member of Captain Martin's company.

Thomas Cratty, oldest son of James and Jane (English) Cratty, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, December 19, 1811, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm. At the age of twenty-eight he settled upon the farm where he now resides, in Franklin township, and has since cleared and improved the same. In 1839 he married Sarah Morrison, a daughter of John Morrison, and is the father of three children, as follows: James A.; Mary, deceased, and John M. The last mentioned married Hannah J. McCandless, and has four children. He cultivates the old homestead, upon which his father has lived for fifty-five years. Politically, Mr. Cratty has always been a Democrat, and in religious faith, he is a member of Mt. Nebo Presbyterian church. He is one of the oldest citizens of Butler county, being now in his eighty-fourth year.

Alexander Campbell was born in Parker township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, April 13, 1813, and was reared upon his father's farm. In 1837 he purchased a farm in Concord township, and April 11, 1839, he married Eliza J., daughter of Thompson Jamison, of that township. Three children were born to this union, as follows: Joseph C., who enlisted in Company E, Thirty-first Ohio Volunteers, in August, 1861, participated in twenty-two battles and was killed at the battle of Chickamauga; William T., and Andrew G. In 1873 he bought property in Mount Chestnut, where he resided until his death, November 13, 1877. His widow survived until December 3, 1883. They were members of the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith. Mr. Campbell was a Whig during the existence of that party, and afterwards a Republican.

Adam Albert came from Virginia to Butler county, Pennsylvania, about 1799, and located on a tract of 500 acres of land in Franklin township. He resided upon that farm until he died, clearing and improving it. He was the father of twelve children, as follows: Daniel; Adam; George; William; Henry; John; Peter; Andrew; Elizabeth, who married Charles Henshew; Margaret, who married James Miller; Mary, who married Thomas Dunn, and Nancy, who became the wife of David Pearce. Mr. Albert was a member of the Lutheran church, and was one the pioneers of that denomination in Butler county.

Andrew Albert was born in Franklin township, September 12, 1824, son of Adam Albert, and grew to manhood in his native township. In January, 1846, he married Maria Baker, a daughter of Cadwallader Baker, and they were

the parents of the following children: William W.; Matilda J., deceased wife of John Stewart; Emma, who married Andrew J. Avery; Uriah, deceased; Levi; Mary E., wife of John Robinson; Warren; Alfred, deceased, and Cora B., who married R. O. Quigley. Mr. Albert and wife were members of the Lutheran church, in which faith he died, June 3, 1890. He was a Republican, and filled several of the township offices.

William Weigle was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1812, there learned the carpenter's trade, and subsequently removed to Lawrence county, where he married Sarah Hogue, in 1830. They were the parents of nine children, as follows: Abraham; Samuel; Jeannette, wife of William McGinnis; John; James, deceased; William; Charles; Daniel, and Cyrus. The family removed to Butler county and settled in Franklin township, where Mr. Weigle died in 1880, and his wife in 1882. They were members of the Baptist church, and in politics, he was an adherent of the Republican party.

Samuel Weigle was born at Weigletown, Lawrence county, in June, 1833, learned the blacksmith's trade, and came to Butler county with his parents. In 1854 he married Barbara Albert, a daughter of George Albert, of Franklin township, and has five surviving children, viz.: George P.; John M.; Raymond S.; William G., and Charles E. Mr. Weigle is engaged in business at Prospect, where he has carried on blacksmithing for many years. He is a member of the Baptist church, and in politics, a Republican.

Sipe Bellis was born in Harmony, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1821, received a common school education and learned the blacksmith's trade. From Harmony he went to Portersville, thence to Muddy Creek, Worth and Franklin townships, consecutively, coming to the last mentioned in 1861. Here he purchased the C. Shannon farm, upon which he now resides. Mr. Bellis was married in 1845, to Mary, daughter of John Myers, of Yellow Creek, which union has been blessed with nine children: John C., deceased; George C.; Lewis; Catherine, deceased; William; Samuel; Charles; Mary, wife of Benjamin McLaughlin of Titusville, and Ollie, deceased. In politics, he is a Democrat, has filled the office of school director, and is a trustee in the Presbyterian church.

Henry Shanor, Sr., was born in Maryland, in 1758, removed to Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, after reaching his maturity, and about 1798 settled in Butler county, purchasing 200 acres of land where George Flinner and William Barkley now live, in Muddy Creek township. Upon this farm he built his cabin and resided until his death, in 1838. He married Elizabeth Buttonbarger, a native of Westmoreland county, who survived him four years, and died in 1842. They were members of the Lutheran church, and were interred in the old Stone Church graveyard, in Lancaster township. Their family were as follows: Henry; Daniel; Elizabeth, who married Thomas Johnson; Susan; Abraham; Michael; Solomon; Christina; Margaret, who married Abraham Zerley, and Lydia, who married Jacob Moyer.

Henry Shanor, Jr., eldest son of Henry and Elizabeth Shanor, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1788, and was about ten years of age when his parents came to Butler county. He grew to manhood in Muddy Creek township, married Susan Beighley, a daughter of John Beighley, and settled upon

his father-in-law's farm. In 1817 he located upon the farm where his son Jonathan J. now resides, which was purchased after his death, in 1827, by his father-in-law, who deeded it to Mrs. Shanor. His family were as follows: Jonathan J.; Abraham, deceased; John C.; Mary R., who married William McDonald; Catherine, deceased wife of Andrew Kaltenbach; Henry J., and Absalom. His widow married James Black, and died in 1887. Mr. Shanor was one of the pioneer members of St. John's Lutheran church, and was a deacon in that society at the time of his death.

Jonathan J. Shanor, eldest in the family of Henry and Susan (Beighley) Shanor, was born in Connoquenessing township, upon the farm of his grandfather, John Beighley, in 1812. When five years old his father removed to the farm where our subject now lives, and he has spent seventy-seven years of his life upon this place, the greater portion of which time he was engaged in farming. He cultivated 200 acres until within a few years, when he sold one-half of his property. In 1838 he married Ann McDonald, a daughter of William McDonald, to which union were born the following children: Susannah, wife of John Dodds; William, deceased; Reuben; William McD., of Iowa; Conrad, who enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died at Georgetown, D. C., from wounds received at the battle of Fredericksburg; Samantha, widow of S. McAllister; Angelina, deceased; Maggie, wife of Warren Myers, and two that died in infancy. Mr. Shanor and wife are members of the Lutheran church, of Prospect, in which he has held the offices of deacon and elder. In early life he was a Democrat, but has been a Republican since 1856. He has filled the offices of school director, and many other minor positions.

Daniel Shanor, Sr., second son of Henry and Elizabeth (Buttonbarger) Shanor, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, about 1791, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1798. He was reared upon his father's farm in this county, and was the second man to join Captain Boston's company, at Butler, for service in the War of 1812. He afterwards purchased 200 acres of land in Lancaster township, where William Kocher now lives, cleared and improved it, and died there in 1879. Mr. Shanor was a stonemason and plasterer, and followed that business in connection with farming. He married Deborah Moyer, a daughter of Samuel Moyer, of Lancaster township, and they were the parents of the following children: Henry, who died in Franklin township; Catherine, widow of John Ziegler; Samuel, of Muddy Creek; Edward, who died in Lancaster township; Jacob, who was murdered in Georgia; Sarah, who died in 1835; Daniel, who died the same year; Abraham, who died in 1836, and Elizabeth, wife of Henry Kocher. Mrs. Shanor died in 1870. They were members of the German Reformed church of Harmony, in which Mr. Shanor filled the offices of elder and deacon. He was a stanch Democrat, but would never accept office or take any active part in political affairs.

Samuel Shanor, only living son of Daniel and Deborah Shanor, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, September 7, 1823, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm in Lancaster township. He resided upon the old homestead until 1881, in which year he purchased his present farm of 121 acres in

Muddy Creek township, and has since erected the buildings now upon it. He married Catherine Stauffer, a daughter of Henry Stauffer. She died in 1861, leaving three children, viz.: Ellen, wife of Madison Davis; Campbell, who resides upon the homestead, and Daniel, of Erie. Politically, he is a Democrat, has served two terms as supervisor and overseer of the poor in Lancaster township, and has held the office of supervisor in Muddy Creek township since 1890. He is a member of the German Reformed church of Harmony, in which society he has filled the offices of deacon and elder.

HENRY SHANOR, eldest son of Daniel and Deborah (Moyer) Shanor, was born upon the homestead farm in Lancaster township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, in 1814, and grew to manhood beneath the parental roof. He received a meager education in the pioneer subscription schools, and learned the stonemason's trade before reaching manhood. In 1840 he purchased a farm of 180 acres, in Franklin township, now in possession of his son Daniel, which he cleared and improved, and resided upon it until his death, in 1880. He was engaged for many years in contracting and building, in connection with his farm duties, and was quite a successful man. He married Magdalena Stamm, a daughter of Daniel Stamm, of Beaver county, and their children were as follows: Sarah, wife of Jonathan Taylor; Daniel; Deborah, wife of William Morrow; Eli, deceased; Alfred F.; Elizabeth J., wife of William Kaufman, and Emma, wife of J. C. McClymonds. Politically, Mr. Shanor was a Democrat, and in religious faith, an adherent of the Lutheran church.

DANIEL SHANOR, eldest son of Henry and Magdalena Shanor, was born in Franklin township, Butler county, November 1, 1844, grew to maturity upon the homestead farm and inherited the same at his father's death. He resided upon it until 1891, when he purchased his present farm of 105 acres, and is now operating both places, making a total acreage of 268 acres. In 1891 oil was discovered upon the old homestead, and there are now seven producing wells located there, with a total production of fifty-six barrels per day. They are operated by McFarland & Company. Mr. Shanor married Mrs. Annie Warren, *nee* Forrester, who died in July, 1892, leaving three children, viz.: Magdalena; Effie May, and Etta P. Politically, Mr. Shanor is a Democrat, and is one of the enterprising farmers of Franklin township.

ALFRED F. SHANOR, youngest son of Henry and Magdalena Shanor, was born October 1, 1851, in Franklin township, Butler county, and was reared and educated in his native township. He purchased his present farm of 137 acres, in Muddy Creek township, in 1880, and located upon it the following year. He has made all the improvements which it now contains, and has one of the best farms in the township. Mr. Shanor was married in April, 1881, to Ellen Shaffer, a daughter of Henry Shaffer, of Prospect, and has three children, viz.: Mont. W.; Amy B., and Catherine A. In politics, he is a Democrat, and an ardent supporter of his party. In 1886 Mr. Shanor engaged in buying stock for the home market, which business he has since carried on in connection with his farm. He is recognized as one of the leading farmers of his township, as well as one of its most progressive citizens, and has a small production of oil on his farm.

David Kennedy was one of the early settlers of Muddy Creek township, Butler county. He was born in Monaghan county, Ireland, in 1752, there married Jane Gracie, and in 1788, in company with his wife and one son, Robert, he immigrated to Philadelphia, where he found employment as a wheelwright, which trade he had learned in his native land. While residents of Philadelphia the following children were born to them: John, Edward, and David, who lived and died in Muddy Creek township; Daniel, who settled in Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, and there died, and Elizabeth who married George Frazier, and died in Muddy Creek township. The eldest son, Robert, grew to manhood in Philadelphia, and engaged in teaming between that city and the western part of the State. His mother carried on a dairy in Philadelphia, and the parents and Robert combined their capital with the intention of purchasing a farm in western Pennsylvania. In 1800 they removed to Butler county, and purchased a 400-acre claim from Matthew Kelly, a Revolutionary soldier, situated in what is now Muddy Creek township, and built a cabin on the land where David R. Kennedy now lives. It was a log structure, twenty-six by eighteen, one and a half stories high, and finished in that crude manner in which nearly all of the early buildings were constructed. The father lived to see 200 acres of this land cleared and improved, and died January 1, 1840, while on a visit to the home of his son Edward, who resided a few miles distant in the same township. His wife had died about 1828. Both were members of the Presbyterian church of Montville, Lawrence county, and were interred in the cemetery attached to that church.

Robert Kennedy, eldest in the family of David and Jane Kennedy, was born in Monaghan county, Ireland, in 1777, spent his early life in Philadelphia, and was afterwards employed in hauling goods between that city and the towns in the western part of the State. It is claimed he brought the first load of merchandise to the borough of Butler, from Philadelphia, for John Potts, an early merchant of Butler. After his father purchased land in Muddy Creek township, Robert devoted himself to clearing and improving it, and at his father's death he received 217½ acres of the original tract, containing the old home. Here he resided until his death, in November, 1848. He married Mary Ann Patterson, a daughter of John Patterson, a native of Ireland, who settled in Pittsburg. The following children were born to this union: Jane, who married Alexander Aiken; David R.; John, a resident of New Castle, and Cassie, wife of William J. McClymonds, of Beaver Falls. Mrs. Kennedy died in 1854. Both were members of the United Presbyterian church at Portersville, and he was instrumental in the erection of the first church in that village. Politically, Mr. Kennedy was a Democrat, and served as a school director for several years. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, from Butler county.

David R. Kennedy, eldest son of Robert and Mary Ann Kennedy, was born upon the old homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, October 4, 1830, was educated in the old log school house of his neighborhood, and has been engaged in agriculture up to within a few years, when he retired, turning over his farm of 140 acres to his sons, Robert B. and James E. In April, 1861, when the first call was made for troops by President Lincoln, he accompanied a

squad of thirty men from his neighborhood, all of whom joined Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served three months, the full term of his enlistment. In 1862 he married Mary J. Stoner, a daughter of James Stoner, of Lawrence county. Four children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Robert B.; Laura E.; Lizzie, deceased, and James N. Mr. Kennedy is a Republican, and has held the offices of assessor, collector and school director. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville, in which he held the office of treasurer for a number of years.

Daniel Kennedy, fifth son of David and Jane Kennedy, was born in Philadelphia, and came with his parents to Muddy Creek township, where he grew to manhood. He followed farming and droving for some years, buying stock for the Pittsburg and Philadelphia markets. Later he removed to Lawrence county, and, in partnership with his sons, David L. and Hosea, engaged in operating two mills in that county, where he resided until his death. He married Cassie Levis, daughter of John Levis, of Philadelphia, who died some years before her husband. Their children were as follows: David L., deceased; Elizabeth, wife of Dr. D. R. Marks, of Prospect; John K., who resides in New Brighton; Hosea, a resident of New Castle; William, deceased, and Thomas P. Mr. Kennedy was an adherent of the Democratic party, and was recognized as a progressive, enterprising business man.

Thomas P. Kennedy, youngest son of Daniel and Cassie Kennedy, was born upon his father's homestead in Muddy Creek township, November 9, 1836, was reared a farmer, and went to Lawrence county, where he assisted his father in operating the mills for five years. In 1875 he purchased forty acres of the Bauder farm, erected buildings and has since devoted his attention to farming. He married Mary Bauder, a daughter of John Bauder, and they are the parents of the following children: Henry N.; John K.; Lewis K.; Harvey P.; Minnie V.; Sarah E.; Dora M.; Peter C., and three that died in early youth. Mr. Kennedy is a Democrat, and has filled the office of school director and other minor positions in his township.

Arthur Cleeland, a native of Down county, Ireland, immigrated to the United States about 1791, owing to religious and political troubles in his native land. He was forced to leave home in disguise to escape violence, and was concealed near the seaboard for three months while his family disposed of his property, after which they joined him and came to this country, settling in the Buffalo Valley, Pennsylvania. About 1800 Mr. Cleeland came to Butler county, purchased 400 acres of land, and built his cabin on the farm now owned by Samuel Cleeland, in Muddy Creek township. With him came his wife and family. Their children were as follows: John; James; Robert; Arthur; David; Thomas; Samuel; Jane, who married Allen Streator, and Ellen, who became the wife of Thomas Kelty. Mr. Cleeland and wife spent the remaining years of their lives upon their farm in Muddy Creek township.

Robert Cleeland, third son of Arthur Cleeland, was born in Down county, Ireland, about 1774, and came with his parents to Butler county. His father gave him 100 acres of land, which he settled and improved, and spent his life thereon. He married Phoebe Wimer, and their children were as follows:

John, a resident of Butler; Nancy, deceased wife of John Morrison; Isaac, deceased; Sarah, deceased wife of Adam Streator; Samuel; William; Rachel; Eleanor; Jane (the last three are dead), and Phoebe, wife of Jacob Struble. Mr. Cleeland and wife were pioneer members of the Portersville Presbyterian church. He died in 1837, and she in 1844. Politically, he was a Whig, but never held any public office.

Samuel Cleeland was born upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, July 31, 1818, third son of Robert and Phoebe Cleeland. He was reared a farmer, and remained with his parents until his marriage, when the farm was divided between him and his brother Isaac. In 1865 he removed to Centre township, lived there eight years, and then returned to the homestead, where he has since resided. Mr. Cleeland married Mary Wimer, a daughter of Adam Wimer, of Lawrence county. She died November 28, 1881, leaving two children: Henry and Robert, who are engaged in cultivating the farm, their father having retired from active life. He has been a life-long member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Thomas Cleeland was born in Down county, Ireland, about 1780, sixth son of Arthur Cleeland, and came with his parents to the United States, and subsequently to Butler county. Very little is known of his early life by his descendants. He was twice married, each time to a Miss Johnston, and his children were as follows: William, who died in Wisconsin; David, deceased; Nancy, deceased wife of Allen Morrison; Mary, deceased, who was twice married, first to Thomas Robinson, and afterwards to John Limfer; Ellen, wife of Rev. Joseph Buchanan, and Margaret and Hannah, both deceased. The parents spent the remainder of their lives in Butler county.

David Cleeland was born upon his father's homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1810, son of Thomas Cleeland. He received a good education, and taught in the schools of his native county for several years. In 1833 he purchased the farm upon which his son, Thomas J., now resides, where he died in 1859. He married Mary M. McClymonds, a daughter of James McClymonds, one of the pioneers of the county. Their children were as follows: Margaret, deceased wife of William Dowler; James M., of Grove City; Addison, who died in early youth; Addison, who grew to manhood, enlisted in Company C, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers ("Round Heads"), and died from exposure in the service, at Fairfax Court House, Virginia; Maria E., deceased; William J., who resides in Muddy Creek township; Thomas J., of the same township; David T., a physician of Harlansburg, Lawrence county, and Ella, who resides upon the homestead with her brother Thomas J. Mrs. Cleeland survived her husband until 1889. They were members of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville, in which society Mr. Cleeland filled the office of elder. He served as school director for a number of years, and also filled other offices in his township.

Thomas J. Cleeland was born December 16, 1848, upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, and is the fifth son of David and Mary M. Cleeland. He received a common school education, was reared a farmer, and is engaged in cultivating the original homestead, consisting of 100 acres. He is

one of the representative farmers of his township, and a progressive, public-spirited citizen. Politically, he is a Republican, and is at present serving as a member of the school board. He is connected with the United Presbyterian church, and contributes liberally towards that denomination.

William J. Cleeland, fourth son of David and Mary M. (McClymonds) Cleeland, was born upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, March 27, 1846, and received a common school education. He was reared a farmer, and resided with his parents until his enlistment in the Fifty-second Pennsylvania Militia, Captain Christie's company, in which he served two months. In 1864 he enlisted in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He was subsequently engaged in various occupations until he purchased his present farm of eighty acres, and is now making a specialty of fruit growing. He was married in 1868, to Sarah J. Fisher, a daughter of Samuel Fisher, of Lawrence county. Five children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Addison; Mary; Ira; James, and Roy. Mr. Cleeland is a Republican in politics, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville. He is connected with Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R., and also with the A. O. U. W.

John Gallagher, Sr., one of the pioneers of Butler county, was a native of Down county, Ireland, and settled in Muddy Creek township, late in the Eighteenth or early in the present century. He purchased a tract of 400 acres of land, erected upon it a log house, and resided there the remainder of his life. The site of his home is now the property of Henderson Wilson. With him came his wife and the following children: James; John; William; Mary, who married James English; Margaret, and Jane. The eldest son, James, was twice married, his first wife being Sarah Forrester, and his second, Mary Albright. He died in Muddy Creek township, as did also his brother William.

James Gallagher, eldest son of John Gallagher, Sr., was born in Ireland, and came with his parents to Muddy Creek township, Butler county. He subsequently settled on a farm in what is now Franklin township, where the remainder of his life was spent. Mr. Gallagher was twice married. His first wife bore him a family of three children, as follows: George; William, and Margaret, who married George Elliott, all of whom are deceased. By his second marriage he became the father of nine children, viz.: John, a resident of Franklin township; Sarah A., deceased wife of William Rose; Nancy, wife of Lott Wilson; James, who resides in California; Robert, who was a member of Captain Pillow's company, and died in the Rebellion; Henry, of Pittsburg; Mahala J., wife of Samuel Burnsides; Amelia, wife of Dinwiddie McCollough, and Matilda, wife of James Dunn.

John Gallagher, Jr., second son of John Gallagher, Sr., was born in Ireland, and came with his parents to Butler county. He finally settled upon a part of the land entered by his father, who gave him 100 acres, and he resided upon the same down to his death, in 1881. The farm is now in possession of his son Thomas, and the original log house is still standing. Mr. Gallagher married Frances Mains, a daughter of Thomas Mains, who lived in what is now Franklin township. To this union were born the following children: John; Thomas;

Ellen, who married Charles Gallagher; Margaret; Mary, and Catherine, who married Jacob Cable, all of whom are dead excepting Thomas and Catherine. Mr. Gallagher and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church, and are interred in the cemetery at Prospect. He was a member of Captain Boston's company in the War of 1812.

THOMAS GALLAGHER, second son of John and Frances Gallagher, was born July 11, 1817, upon his father's farm in Muddy Creek township. He was reared a farmer, and his advantages for an education were such as the pioneer schools afforded. He remained with his parents until 1860, and then purchased a farm of fifty-three acres, and erected his present residence and other necessary improvements. It adjoins the old homestead, a part of which he owns, his farm now embracing 130 acres. Mr. Gallagher married Catherine Garvey, a daughter of Thomas Garvey. She died in 1885, the mother of two children: William, a resident of California, and James, who resides at home, and who married Anna Woods and has two children. In early life Mr. Gallagher was a Whig, but has been a Republican since the formation of that party. He is a member of the English Lutheran church of Prospect, in which he has filled the offices of deacon and elder. He has retired from the active duties of life, and is one of the oldest citizens in his native township, where he has resided for seventy-seven years.

JOHN GALLAGHER, eldest son of John and Frances (Mains) Gallagher, and grandson of John Gallagher, Sr., was born in 1811, upon the land purchased by his grandfather, in Muddy Creek township. He was reared on his father's farm, and subsequently purchased fifty acres of the homestead, upon which he erected improvements and resided until his death, April 16, 1885. He married Sarah Ferguson, a daughter of Hugh Ferguson, one of the early settlers of Franklin township, to which union were born the following children: Ferguson W.; Fannie, deceased wife of James White; Mary E., deceased wife of J. Milton White; Nancy A., wife of Charles F. White Joshua; Elizabeth, and John, deceased. Mr. Gallagher was a Democrat until the Rebellion, when he became an adherent of the Republican party. Both he and wife were members of the United Presbyterian church at Prospect. The latter died March 6, 1887.

FERGUSON W. GALLAGHER, eldest son of John and Sarah Gallagher, was born upon his father's homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, February 27, 1834. He received a good education and followed teaching until 1861. In August of that year he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until discharged because of physical disability. Returning to his home he engaged in huckstering, which business he followed for some years, then purchased a farm adjoining his present homestead, upon which he resided until 1882. In that year he bought 111 acres and located upon it, where he has since lived. In 1863 he married Jane Kennedy, a daughter of David Kennedy, who died leaving two children: Sherman and Hosea. The former married Nancy Prudence Kennedy and has two children, Nancy Jane and Florence Louisa. Mr. Gallagher married for his second wife Sarah Findley, to whom have been born eight children; viz.: Emma J.; Amelia M.; Maggie L.; Clara; James; Aggie; Grace E., and Bessie. Politically, he is a Republican, and has held the offices of overseer and collector. He

is a member of John H. Randolph Post, G. A. R., and is secretary of the United Presbyterian church of Prospect, in which he has also held the office of trustee.

JOSHUA GALLAGHER, son of John and Sarah Gallagher, was born July 20, 1846, in Muddy Creek township, where he has always resided. In 1878 he married Mary J. Moore, a daughter of Isaac Moore, and settled upon his present homestead. They are the parents of one son, Ralph. Mr. Gallagher is a Republican, and one of the prosperous farmers of the community.

JOHN MYERS, SR., was a native of Germany who came to America prior to the Revolution and served in that struggle for liberty. After the close of the war he settled in Virginia, and resided there until his removal to Butler county. About 1805 he accompanied John Boston, William Beighley, Adam Albert, and John Moon to this county, and settled upon what is now the Bauder farm, in Muddy Creek township, but through an imperfect title or some other cause he lost the property. He then purchased 400 acres, situated where David Myers' heirs, John Myers, and William and Charles Myers, now reside, upon which he resided until his death. He was married in Virginia to Sarah Moon, a daughter of John Moon, and their children were as follows: Solomon; John; Samuel; Daniel; George; David, and Annie, who married John Beighley, all of whom are deceased. Mr. Myers and wife were pioneer members of the Lutheran church of Lancaster township.

JOHN MYERS, second son of John and Sarah Myers, was born in Virginia, about 1791, and came with his parents to Butler county. After reaching his majority, his father gave him 200 acres of the original tract, upon which in later years he erected the stone house where his sons William and Charles reside. He devoted the balance of his life in clearing and improving this farm. He was twice married, his first wife being Rachel Stickel, to which union were born six children, viz.: Sarah, deceased wife of James Slemmons; Nelson, who married Annie Cratty, and lives in Tennessee; Mary, wife of Sipe Bellis; Samuel, deceased, who married a Miss Smith; John, who married Nannie Turner, and lives in Nebraska, and Margaret, wife of Henry Fieldgrow. He married for his second wife Hannah Morrison, a daughter of John Morrison, who became the mother of four children, as follws: Tirzah; Emeline; William, and Charles. Mr. Myers died in 1844. His second wife survived him until 1888, and both are interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Portersville, to which denomination they belonged.

WILLIAM MYERS, eldest son of John and Hannah Myers, was born upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, attended the public schools of his district, and grew to manhood in his native township. He has always resided upon the old homestead, engaged in farming. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Portersville, and in politics, he is a Republican.

CHARLES MYERS, youngest in the family of John and Hannah Myers, was born in Muddy Creek township, and has spent his entire life upon the homestead farm, which he and his brother William cultivate in partnership. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and politically, an ardent supporter of the Republican party. His sisters, Tirzah and Emeline, also reside on the old homestead, which was purchased by their grandfather early in the present century.

Solomon Myers, eldest son of John and Sarah Myers, was born in Virginia, came with his parents to Butler county, and settled upon a part of the tract entered by his father in Muddy Creek township. He was twice married. His first wife was Margaret Boston, a sister of Capt. John Boston, who served in the War of 1812. His children by this marriage were as follows: George; John; Boston; Samuel; Elizabeth, who married Charles Phillips, and Sarah, who married William Albert. His second wife was Margaret Douglass, to which union were born the following children: James; Jasper; Newton; Hosea; Milton; David, and Lucinda, who married James A. Humphrey. Mr. Myers and wife were members of the Lutheran church. They died upon their homestead in Muddy Creek township.

David Myers was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1834, grew to manhood upon his father's farm, subsequently purchased the old homestead, and resided upon it until his death. He was twice married; first to Eleanor Cooper, who bore him two sons: Orin D., and Ellsworth E. His second marriage occurred in September, 1870, to Margaret S. Sullivan, a daughter of Thomas Sullivan, of Prospect. She became the mother of the following children: Hosea M.; Milton S.; Gailey; James A.; Hosea H., deceased; Don C., and Samuel T. Mr. Myers was an active worker in the Republican party, and filled the office of school director for a number of years. He was a member of the Baptist church, and died in that faith, October 15, 1889. His widow resides upon the homestead farm, where the greater portion of his life was passed.

Daniel Myers, fourth son of John and Sarah Myers, was born in Virginia, October 13, 1800, and was about four years of age when his parents located in Muddy Creek township, Butler county. He grew up upon the farm, and at the age of eighteen commenced learning the stonemason's trade with John Moon, which he followed for some years, finally engaging in the business for himself. He purchased 100 acres of the original Myers tract, erected buildings and other improvements, and engaged in farming in connection with his trade. He married Annie Smith, a daughter of Elijah Smith, who came from New Jersey to Slippery Rock township, Butler county, at an early day. She died in 1852, and her husband, September 5, 1855. They were interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Portersville. Their children were as follows: Sarah, wife of John Johnston; Mary J., deceased wife of William Roberts; Ruhama, wife of Richard Lewis; Milton, who enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, was captured and died at Andersonville prison; John S.; Amanda, wife of William Robbins, and Annie, who married a Mr. Woods. Daniel Myers was a colonel in the old State Militia, took quite an interest in public affairs, and served as collector, assessor, auditor, supervisor and school director in his township. In politics, he was a Whig. He was reared In the Lutheran church, but in later life united with the Methodist Episcopal church, and was a class leader in that denomination.

John S. Myers, second son of Daniel and Annie Myers, was born April 23, 1832, upon his present homestead in Muddy Creek township. He learned the stonemason's and bricklayer's trades with his father, and in 1853 commenced

business for himself. He followed that business for thirty years in different parts of the county, while at the same time he carried on his farm. In 1883 he retired from contracting, and has since devoted his entire attention to agricultural pursuits. Mr. Myers was married November 9, 1855, to Mary A. Peggs, a daughter of Edward Peggs, of Lawrence county, to which union have been born the following children: Annie, wife of Samuel Jones; Laura J., wife of George Magee; Ella, wife of Frank Reis; William; Harry; Edward; Minnie, and Jefferson. Mr. Myers is a Republican, and has filled the offices of supervisor, assessor and collector in his township. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church of Portersville.

John Boston was born near Winchester, Virginia, in 1774, there grew to manhood, and about 1805 came to Butler county, and purchased the claim of a Revolutionary soldier, consisting of 200 acres, in what is now Muddy Creek township. He was accompanied by his wife, Elizabeth, and several sisters. He cleared up a farm and resided upon it until within a few years of his death, which occurred in 1862, at the home of his son, Sheplar, in Portersville. His children were as follows: George; Rebecca, who married Daniel Smith; John; Christina, who married James Douglass; Samuel; Elizabeth, who married John Douglass; Adam; Catharine, who married Andrew Douglass; William; Sheplar, and Sarah. Mr. Boston was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was located in the Lake Erie country. He was a stanch Democrat, and one of the original members of the old Lutheran church of Lancaster township. His widow survived him two years.

Thomas Christie was a native of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and settled on the site of Portersville, Butler county, in 1812. He was a brother-in-law of Robert Stewart, the first settler on the site of that borough. His grandfather was a native of Scotland, and settled in Connecticut at an early day, leaving a family of six sons, two of whom settled in Ohio, two in Nova Scotia, and two in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, one of the last mentioned being the father of Thomas. The subject of this sketch purchased 400 acres of land, a portion of which is included in the southern part of Portersville. He married Eleanor Gailey, and they were the parents of the following children: Susan, who married Archibald Glenn; Clara, who married Dr. William McClelland; Margaret, who married Dr. Randolph; Jane, who married John Sharp; Elizaabeth, who married Dr. John Cowden; John; William, and Thomas G., all of whom are dead. William was the father of Dr. James H. Christie, of Allegheny. Mr. Christie was one of the extensive farmers of Muddy Creek township, was a justice of the peace for many years, and is well remembered as "Squire Christie." He was a pioneer member of the Associate Presbyterian church, and later of the United Presbyterian church, of Portersville. He was one of the early merchants of that borough, and a widely known anti-slavery advocate. He died in 1851, and his wife some years before.

Thomas G. Christie was born at Portersville, Butler county, in 1822, and was the youngest son of Thomas and Eleanor Christie. He was reared upon the homestead farm, and afterwards engaged in merchandising at Portersville, which he followed until his death, in 1851. In 1843 he married Nancy R. George, a

daughter of James George, of Mercer county, to which union were born three children, viz.: Henderson W.; Calvin G., and Thomas G. Mr. Christie was a member of the Seceder church, and in politics, a Whig.

Dr. John Cowden was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1797, son of William Cowden, a native of Franklin county, Pennsylvania, who removed to Washington county after reaching his majority, and in 1800 located in Trumbull (now Mahoning) county, Ohio, with his family, where he spent the remainder of his life. John was the fourth son, was reared in Ohio, and read medicine with his uncle, Dr. Isaac P. Cowden, of Poland, Ohio. In 1818 he commenced practice at Portersville, Butler county, where he prosecuted his professional duties for nearly fifty years. He then retired to Allegheny City, and died February 15, 1880, in his eighty-fourth year. Dr. Cowden married Elizabeth Christie, a daughter of Thomas Christie, one of the early settlers of Muddy Creek township, and a justice of the peace for many years in that subdivision. They reared a family of seven children, viz.: William Reynolds; Maria C., who married James Frazier; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Erskine McClelland; Eleanor J., wife of John Frazier; Tirzah, wife of Andrew Gailey, and Susannah, deceased wife of Rev. Samuel Kerr, of Harrisville. Mrs. Cowden died in 1879, and both she and husband are interred in the United Presbyterian cemetery at Portersville. Dr. Cowden was one of the early members of the Associate Presbyterian church, and later an elder in the United Presbyterian church for many years.

Dr. William Reynolds Cowden was born in Portersville, Butler county, March 4, 1820, only son of Dr. John and Elizabeth Cowden. His primary education was obtained at the Jamestown Academy, in Jamestown, Mercer county, and at the Venango Academy, in Franklin, Venango county. He subsequently spent two years at Washington and Jefferson College, and then engaged in teaching. He read medicine with his father, and attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in the winters of 1844–45, and 1845–46. In the spring of 1846 he commenced practice at Portersville, and with the exception of three years spent at West Sunbury, and a few years in Worth township, when comparatively retired from practice, he was engaged in the active duties of his profession at Portersville for forty-eight years, and is the oldest practicing physician in Butler county. In 1894 he removed to Middle Lancaster, where he still continues to practice. Dr. Cowden was married November 7, 1850, to Matilda M. Kline, a daughter of J. George and Catherine Kline, of Mercer, Pennsylvania. They are the parents of two sons and five daughters, as follows: William Rush, a practicing physician at Middle Lancaster, Butler county; John Victor, who is now reading medicine; Anna E., wife of C. F. Wick, of West Sunbury; Ida M., wife of George M. Campbell, of Centreville; Margaret K., wife of Elmer Elliott, of Butler; Eva M., wife of John Edmundson, of Prospect, and Eleanor J., a teacher in the public schools. Dr. Cowden is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and one of the liberal supporters of that society. Politically, he was a Whig until the formation of the Republican party, and since that time has supported that organization. He cast his first vote for Henry Clay in 1844, and has voted for every presidential candidate of his party for the past fifty years.

William Humphrey, son of William and Elizabeth (Dunbar) Humphrey, was born August 22, 1835, upon the homestead farm in Worth township, Butler county, the same tract settled by his grandfather, Thomas Humphrey, in 1798. He received a common school education, and also attended a select school at Portersville. At the age of twenty-two he commenced to learn surveying under Hugh Smith, and followed that profession, in connection with teaching in the public schools of Portersville and Muddy Creek township, for fifteen years. In 1861 he established a general store at Portersville, and also engaged in buying wool. Since that time he has purchased over 500,000 pounds of wool, being one of the most extensive buyers in Butler county. For more than thirty years Mr. Humphrey has carried on merchandising at Portersville, and is one of the successful business men of the community. In 1868 he was elected justice of the peace for Portersville, and filled that position for twenty years. He has also been a school director for ten years, and a member of the council and burgess of Portersville. He was identified with the Democratic party until 1876, when he became connected with the Prohibition movement, and has since given it his support. He is a strong protectionist, and an advocate of a high tariff, believing that policy beneficial to the country at large. Mr. Humphrey is a member of the Portersville Presbyterian church, is a trustee in that society, and a member of the general session since 1886. In 1856 he married Elizabeth Riddle, a daughter of John Riddle, and has a family of four sons and one daughter, as follows: James; John, who is in partnership with his father; Walter N., a physician; Edwin W., now a law student in Philadelphia, and Margaret. Mr. Humphrey is one of the leading citizens of Butler county, and has always been one of the enterprising and progressive business men of the community in which he has spent the greater portion of his life.

David Marshall was born in Ireland, in 1812, son of James and Jean (Peebles) Marshall, who immigrated with their family, to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1822, and located in Penn township, Butler county, in 1824. David was about twelve years of age when his parents settled in this county, and he grew to manhood upon his father's farm in Penn township. In 1839 he engaged in merchandising at Petersville, Connoquenessing township, where he carried on business for two years, then removed to Prospect, Franklin township, and continued the same business down to 1865. In that year he retired to a farm near Prospect, where he died in 1877. He was twice married, his first wife being Euphemia Gilliland, a daughter of Barnet Gilliland, to whom was born one son, James M. Mrs. Marshall died in November, 1871, and was interred in the United Presbyterian cemetery at Prospect. Mr. Marshall married for his second wife, Mrs. Martha Frazier, who survives him. He was deeply interested in the public schools, and served as a director for many years. Politically, he was a Whig in early life, and a Republican from the formation of that party. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church of Prospect, was a trustee in that society, and was one of the building committee in the erection of the present church building.

James M. Marshall, only child of David and Euphemia Marshall, was born at Petersville, Butler county, June 3, 1841, received his education in the

public schools of Prospect, and subsequently entered his father's store in that borough. In 1862 he formed a partnership with William Riddle, and carried on merchandising at Prospect down to 1873, when he retired to a farm in Worth township, and resided there until 1885. In 1880 he established the banking house, now known as J. M. Marshall & Company, at Portersville, and removed to that borough in 1885. He has devoted his attention to his banking business for the past fourteen years. In 1860 he married Ruth A. Riddle, a daughter of John A. Riddle, of Portersville, and they are the parents of the following children: John D., an attorney of Butler; Archie S., a merchant of Portersville; H. N., an attorney of New Castle; Thomas C., a merchant at Hazell Dell; Margaret, wife of Edward Kennedy; Sarah E.; William R.; James P.; Nannie E., and Edwin H. Mr. Marshall was a Republican until 1868, and since that time has been an ardent supporter of the Democratic party. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Portersville. He is one of the leading citizens of the county, and is interested quite largely in real estate at Hazel Dell, Lawrence county, as well as in his native county.

W. H. Dann, manufacturer and dealer in harness, etc., was born in Middle Lancaster, Butler county, May 2, 1859, son of Jacob and Margaret (Total) Dann. His father was a native of Hesse-Cassel, Germany, and immigrated to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1844, where he worked at the tailor's trade, which he had learned in his native land. In 1847 he settled in Middle Lancaster, Butler county, where he has carried on business for the past forty-seven years. Jacob Dann was married in Pittsburg, and reared a family of nine children. W. H. grew to manhood in Middle Lancaster, received a common school education, and learned the harnessmaker's trade, which he worked at for several years in various places. He finally established himself in business at Middle Lancaster, which he carried on down to 1891, and then removed to Portersville, where he has since conducted a general store in connection with his trade. He deals in all kinds of harness and wagon stock, and carries a full line of whips, harness, blankets and driving goods. Mr. Dann married Mary Erb, a daughter of E. Erb, of Middle Lancaster, and has two children: Ralph L., and Luella. Politically, he is a Democrat, and is the present tax collector of Portersville. He is a member of Portersville Lodge, No. 909, I. O. O. F., and assistant secretary of the I. O. O. F. Endowment Association. He is one of the prosperous and enterprising merchants of Portersville, and gives a liberal support to every worthy project.

Jacob Heberling was born in Carbon county, Pennsylvania, in 1792, was reared in his native county, and came to Zelienople, Butler county, after reaching manhood. He had learned the stonemason's trade in his early home, and one of his first contracts after coming to this county was the erection of the old stone church at Zelienople. He was a man of good education and taught school during the winter seasons. He married Mary Gruver, a daughter of Michael Gruver, one of the early settlers of Jackson township, and of their family of twelve children, six grew to maturity viz.: Reuben; John; Paul; Christina, who married Samuel Swain; Sarah, wife of William Peffer, and Henry. Mrs. Heberling died in 1840, and her husband, in 1842, upon their farm in Jackson township.

They were members of the Lutheran church in early days, but subsequently united with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Henry Heberling, youngest in the family of Jacob and Mary Heberling, was born in Jackson township, Butler county, August 16, 1837, and was reared upon the homestead farm. In March, 1857, he went to Missouri, and learned the tinner's trade at Canton. In 1859 he returned to Pennsylvania, and engaged in business at Beaver, Beaver county, but removed to Portersville, in April, 1860, where he established a general tin store, which he has conducted up to the present time. Mr. Heberling was married September 27, 1860, to Christina, a daughter of George Lambert, and has a family of seven children: Nettie; Harry, William; Thomas; Frank; Sarah, and Theodore. In politics, he is a Republican. He is a member of the Lutheran church of Middle Lancaster.

Samuel Moore, Sr., was one of the early settlers of what is now Brady township, Butler county. He was born in Antrim county, Ireland, in 1780, there learned the weaver's trade, and at the age of sixteen immigrated to Baltimore, Maryland, near which city he found employment on a farm, but remained there only a short time. He removed to Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he worked at his trade for several years. He married Sarah Cornelius, a daughter of Isaac Cornelius, of that county, who subsequently came with his family to Butler county. In 1801 Mr. Moore located in Allegheny county, where he followed his trade and cultivated a small farm, but later bought a larger farm six miles southwest of Pittsburg. He resided there until 1827, in which year he purchased 200 acres of land in what is now Brady township, Butler county, erected buildings and resided upon it until his death, in 1833. His family consisted of the following children: John, who died in Muddy Creek township; Mary, deceased wife of William McClymonds; Isaac, of Muddy Creek township; Charles, who died in the same township; James, deceased, whose descendants are in Ohio; Jane, deceased wife of James Brown; Joseph, deceased; Sarah, wife of Robert Glenn; Esther, widow of Silas Covert; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Newell Graham; Samuel, a resident of Brady township, and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Moore survived her husband twenty-three years, dying in 1856, and both are buried in the Wolf Creek graveyard. Mr. Moore and wife were members of the Seceder church, in which he was an elder. Politically, he was a supporter of the Whig party, and an ardent anti-slavery advocate.

Isaac Moore, second son of Samuel and Sarah Moore, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, March 19, 1805, grew to manhood in that county, and came with his parents to Butler county. He remained with them for two years, and then purchased 100 acres of land in Muddy Creek township. He cleared and improved this farm, and followed agriculture until 1882, when he retired. In 1829 he married Nancy Scott, a daughter of John Scott. She was the mother of eleven children, viz.: Samuel W., of Brady township; Rachel, who lives with her father; Joseph, of Mercer county; John C., of Muddy Creek township; Sarah, widow of M. W. Kennedy; Eli J.; Adeline, wife of John Kennedy; William S., of Muddy Creek township; Mary J., wife of Joshua Gallagher; James Madison, deceased, and Minerva A., wife of Benton Dick. Mrs. Moore died in 1891. A coincident connected with this family is the fact that

Samuel W., Eli J., and Adeline A., were all born on March 19, their father's birthday; while his son, William S., and grandson, William P., were born on October 18. Mr. Moore has lived to see all of his children well settled in life, and all engaged in agricultural pursuits. Both he and wife were members of the Seceder church, later of the Associate Reformed, and finally of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville. He is a worthy christian man and an upright citizen. He was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and has filled a number of the minor offices of his township. He is to-day one of the eldest citizens of Butler county.

Samuel Moore was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, December 20, 1822, and is a son of Samuel Moore, Sr. He was reared in Brady township, received a common school education, and has spent the greater portion of his life upon his present homestead, following the peaceful vocation of a farmer. Mr. Moore has been twice married. His first wife was Martha Graham, of Mercer county, who died in 1873, leaving five children, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Presley Stevenson, of Kansas; John, a resident of Brady township; Lorenzo, a merchant of Butler; William, of Pittsburg, and Isaac Newton, a teacher in the Slippery Rock State Normal School. His second wife was Martha Dodds, whom he married in 1874, by which union five children have been born to him, viz.: Thomas; Clara; Nannie; Sadie, and Ida. Mr. Moore is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Samuel W. Moore, eldest son of Isaac and Nancy Moore, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, March 19, 1830, and was reared upon the old homestead. In 1855 he settled on the farm where his brother John resides, and lived there until 1859. In that year he purchased his present farm of 100 acres, in Brady township, which he has since cleared and improved. On May 10, 1855, he married Elizabeth A. Moore, a daughter of James Moore, of Worth township, and their children are as follows: Willis J., deceased; Jefferson W.; Cyrus G.; Elizabeth A., wife of W. L. Connell; Mattie A., wife of John G. Thompson; William M., and Charles S. Mr. Moore is a member of Slippery Rock United Presbyterian church, in which he has filled the office of trustee. He is a stanch Republican, and has served as school director, and held other minor offices in his township. For the past nineteen years he has been a director and agent of the Worth Mutual Insurance Company, and always takes a decided interest in public matters.

John C. Moore was born July 8, 1836, upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, son of Isaac and Nancy Moore. He resided with his parents until August, 1861, when he enlisted in Company C, One Hundreth Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as the "Round Heads," and served three years and eleven months, participating in the following engagements: Port Royal, Hilton Head Ferry, James Island, where he was wounded in the left shoulder, was in the hospitals at Hilton Head, and New York city, and after four months returned to his regiment; Sulphur Springs, Second Bull Run, Chantilly, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Knoxville, siege of Vicksburg, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House, and other engagements. He returned to Butler county at the close of the war, and remained at home until

1866, when he purchased his present farm, upon which he has since resided. He married Sarah Wilson, a daughter of David Wilson, of Clay township, in 1866, and has two children, vis.: Frank W., who married Etta Weigle, and Laura E., wife of John Humphrey. Mr. Moore and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville. In politics, he is a Republican, and is a member of Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R.

Eli J. Moore, fourth son of Isaac and Nancy Moore, was born upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, March 19, 1841, received a common school education, and remained with his parents until August, 1864, when he enlisted in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery. He served until the close of the war, then returned to the homestead, and remained working upon it for two years. At the end of this time he entered the employ of W. E. Kirker, of Harlansburg, Lawrence county, and clerked for him four years. He then returned to the homestead, where he has since resided, cultivating it in connection with a small farm of his own. He married Rachel Shaffer, a daughter of Samuel Shaffer, of Lawrence county, and has three children, viz: Blanche; Ira L., and Floyd R. Mr. Moore is an adherent of the Republican party, and has filled the office of overseer of the poor for twelve years and school director for three years. He has always taken a commendable interest in the local affairs of his township. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, in which he fills the office of elder. He is connected with Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R., of Portersville.

William S. Moore, fifth son of Isaac and Nancy Moore, was born October 18, 1843, upon the old homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, was educated in the public schools, and reared a farmer. He taught in the schools of Muddy Creek and Worth townships for four years, and in 1871 located on his present farm, which is considered one of the best in the township. It contains 100 acres, with good improvements, all of which he has made since locating upon it. He married Margaret Tebay, a daughter of John Tebay, of Muddy Creek township. She died in February, 1882, the mother of four children, as follows: Isaac H., deceased; William P., a teacher; Maud S., and Minnie P. He married for his second wife, Sadie Buchanan, a daughter of James Buchanan, of Mercer township. Politically, he is a Republican, and was elected justice of the peace in 1880, and again in 1893. He has always manifested a commendable interest in the schools of his township and has served as school director for several years. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville, and has been choir leader for thirty years.

Charles Moore, son of Samuel and Sarah Moore, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1807, was reared in that county, and was twenty years of age when his parents located in Butler county. He subsequently settled upon the farm where his son Robert now resides, in Muddy Creek township, which he cleared and improved. He married Margaret White, a daughter of Robert White, of Lawrence county, to which union were born the following children: John, a resident of Kansas; Jane, wife of James Snooks; Sarah, deceased wife of Thomas McMurray; Robert; Mary E., wife of Rev. Elim Thomas, and Samuel, of Pittsburg. Mr. Moore died in 1843. His widow married James English,

A H Barkley

by whom she had two children: Murray E., and William. She died April 1, 1887. Mr. Moore is buried in the United Presbyterian churchyard at Montville, Lawrence county.

Robert Moore, second son of Charles and Margaret Moore, was born September 3, 1839, upon the homestead farm in Muddy Creek township, which property he now owns, having purchased it in 1873. He received his education in the district school, and has been engaged in farming since boyhood. He married Rachel Scott, a daughter of John Scott, of Muddy Creek township, to which union have been born ten children, nine of whom are living, viz.: Cora, wife of Robert Kennedy; James; Annie; Lizzie; Sadie; Mary; Nannie; Robert, and Francis. In August, 1861, Mr. Moore enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months. He is a member of Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R., of Portersville. Politically, he is a Republican, and is now filling the offices of school director, township treasurer, and clerk. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville.

Edward White, Sr., was a native of Down county, Ireland, and immigrated to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and subsequently to Pittsburg, at an early day. He afterwards settled upon a tract of 200 acres of land in Butler county, close to the line of Lawrence. He was twice married, his first wife being a Miss Christie, who became the mother of the following children: James, who settled upon an adjoining tract of 200 acres; John; Mrs. Ann Wilson; Joseph, and Mrs. Jane Cist. His second wife was a Mrs. Food, to whom were born two children, viz.: Thomas, and Charles. The father died at the home of his son, Joseph, in Muddy Creek township.

Joseph White, third son of Edward White, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1792. His mother dying when he was quite young, he was thrown upon his own resources in early boyhood. He grew to manhood in Allegheny county, and early in the present century came to Butler county and purchased 200 acres of land from a Mrs. Elliot, situated where his sons, Charles F. and J. Milton, now live, in Muddy Creek township. He resided upon this land, clearing and improving it, until his death, which occurred in 1873. He married Sarah Cratty, a daughter of James Cratty, and they were the parents of the following children: James C., of Beaver Falls; Edward, and Newton, both deceased; Mary A., a resident of Butler; J. Milton; Thomas P.; William C.; and Elizabeth J., the last three being dead, and Charles F.; also four that died in infancy. Mr. White was a soldier in the War of 1812, serving in Captain Martin's company, of Butler county. Politically, he was a Democrat, and filled the offices of school director and supervisor. His wife died in May, 1889. Both she and husband were members of the United Presbyterian church of Prospect.

J. Milton White, son of Joseph and Sarah White, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, September 6, 1840, and was reared and educated in his native township. In 1862 he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served five months, when he was discharged because of physical disability. He then settled upon his present homestead of 100 acres, and has made many improvements by the erection of

buildings, etc. He married Mary E. Gallagher, a daughter of John Gallagher. She died in 1877, leaving a family of six children, viz.: Albert E.; Anderson F.; Lawrence M.; Cora E.; Jackson W., and John D. He married for his second wife Margaret E. Fleming, a daughter of Robert Fleming, of Petersville, Connoquenessing township. Mr. White is a member of the Portersville Presbyterian church, and is connected with Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has held the office of school director in his township.

Charles F. White, youngest son of Joseph and Sarah White, was born upon his present homestead in Muddy Creek township, August 29, 1846, and has spent his entire life in his native township. In 1875 he married Nancy A. Gallagher, a daughter of John Gallagher, and has three children: Curtis L.; Mintie F., and Ada L. Politically, he is a-Republican, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church. He is engaged in mining coal upon his farm, from the same mines developed by his father fifty years ago, which now produce about 20,000 bushels per year.

James English, a native of Ireland, settled upon the farm where his grandson, William F., now resides, in Muddy Creek township, Butler county. It consisted of 200 acres, a portion of a tract purchased by his wife's father. He married Mary Gallagher, and their family were as follows: John; Margaret, who married Steel Bryan; Jane, who married Zeni Durren; Elizabeth, who married James Pisor; Isaiah; James Y.; Mary Ann, who married Valentine Whitmer; David, and William. Mr. English and wife were early members of the United Presbyterian church of Portersville, and both died in Muddy Creek township.

James Y. English, third son of James and Mary English, was born in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, in 1832. He grew to manhood in that township, and lived with his parents until 1861, when he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was severely wounded in the right arm at the battle of Fredericksburg, and was afterwards discharged from the service. He settled on a farm in Franklin township, after his marriage to Jane Forrester, a daughter of William Forrester, and died there in June, 1892. Their children were as follows: William F.; Leroy; Newton, deceased; Edward; Martha, deceased; Mary, deceased; Henry; Judson; Susan, and Ford. Mr. English was an enterprising citizen, and filled many of the township offices; in politics, he was a Republican, and was a prominent member of the Zion Baptist church. His widow resides upon the homestead in Franklin township.

William F. English, eldest son of James Y. and Jane English, was born in Franklin township, Butler county, June 19, 1856, received a common school education, and afterwards taught in the schools of Franklin, Fairview and Washington townships for six years. In 1881 he settled upon the old English homestead in Muddy Creek township, where he is cultivating 100 acres, and engaged in the dairy business. He married Eliza Jane Hilliard, a daughter of Frederick Hilliard, and has four children, viz.: Newton; Pearl; Enos, and

James. He is a member of Zion Baptist church, and in politics, he is an adherent of the Republican party.

Nicholas Barkley was born near Hesse-Cassel, Germany, in 1784, was reared upon his father's farm, and cultivated a farm of his own in his native land before coming to America. He married in Germany, Ann Strutt, and became the father of the following children: Margaret, widow of William Cleaver; Nicholas, deceased; Conrad; George, deceased; John, a resident of Ohio; Hartman, who resides in Pittsburg, and Elizabeth, deceased wife of Cornelius Beighley. In 1834 Mr. Barkley and family immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Muddy Creek township, Butler county. He purchased 400 acres of land, which is now in possession of his son Conrad, and grandsons, and Mrs. Edward Beighley, his grand-daughter. After his settlement here he commenced clearing and improving his land, but lived only three years, dying in April, 1837. His wife died the following month, and both were buried in the graveyard at the Lutheran church, in Lancaster township. They were members of that society and very worthy people.

Conrad Barkley, Sr., second son of Nicholas and Ann Barkley, was born near Hesse-Cassel, Germany, September 14, 1816, and was eighteen years old when his parents immigrated to Butler county. After attaining his majority, he received 200 acres of the land purchased by his father, to which he has since added 100 acres more. He cleared and improved the homestead, and his entire life since coming to this county has been spent upon it. He has divided 200 acres of this land between his sons, retaining 100 for himself, upon which are very substantial buildings and other good improvements. He married Margaret Staaf, a daughter of Milton Staaf, a native of Germany, who settled in Lancaster township. Eleven children were born to this union, eight of whom are living, viz.: John; Conrad; William; Samuel; Elias; George A.; Margaret, wife of George Flinner, and Mary, wife of Robert Campbell. Mr. Barkley is a member of the Lutheran church of Middle Lancaster, is a Democrat in politics, and is one of the oldest living citizens of Muddy Creek township.

John Barkley, oldest son of Conrad Barkley, was born June 29, 1842, and reared on the homestead farm. He married Eva Bloom, born March 26, 1849, a daughter of Nicholas Bloom, of Zelienople, to which union have been born nine children, as follows: Nettie E., wife of John Naggel; Tillie M., wife of William G. Duncan; Josephine S.; Henry E.; Austin S.; Clarence I.; Charles A.; Sidney A., and Bessie V. The family belong to the Lutheran church.

Conrad Barkley, second son of Conrad and Margaret Barkley, was born upon the homestead in Muddy Creek township, and has always resided in his native township. He married Caroline Koch, and has two children: John A., and Clara. He resides on a portion of the original farm which he received from his father. Politically, he is a Democrat.

William Barkley, third son of Conrad and Margaret Barkley, was born and reared upon the homestead farm, and received fifty-five acres of land from his father. In 1871 he married Mary Scheidemantle, and has four children: Lizzie, wife of George Gross; William; Annie, and Henry. Mr. Barkley is a stanch adherent of the Democratic party.

Samuel Barkley, fourth son of Conrad Barkley, was born June 20, 1851. He was reared on the homestead farm, learned the blacksmith's trade, and in 1878 received a house and lot from his father in Middle Lancaster. He married Elizabeth Behm, daughter of Adam Behm, of Middle Lancaster, to which union there have been born seven children, as follows: Clara Emma; William Edward; Samuel Albert; Annie Catherine; George Martin; Herman F., and an infant son. The family are members of the Lutheran church of Middle Lancaster.

Elias Barkley, fifth son of Conrad and Margaret Barkley, was born September 3, 1857, in Muddy Creek township, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. In 1881 he settled upon fifty acres of the original homestead, to which he has since added thirty-five acres, and has made all the improvements. On April 14, 1879, he married Leah Behm, a daughter of Adam Behm, and is the father of six children, as follows: Sadie A.; Harry E., deceased; Maggie K.; Perry M.; Ida C., and Lizzie. In politics, Mr. Barkley is a Democrat, and both he and wife are members of the Lutheran church at Middle Lancaster.

George A. Barkley was born November 6, 1863, in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, and grew to manhood upon the homestead farm, which has always been his residence. In 1886, he married Anna Bauder, a daughter of Nicholas Bauder, of Muddy Creek township, and has four children, viz.: Emma; Mary; Pierson, and Anna. Mr. Barkley is a member of the Presbyterian church of Portersville, is an adherent of the Democratic party, and is one of the enterprising young farmers of his township.

George Barkley was born near Hesse-Cassel, Germany, in 1818, third son of Nicholas and Ann (Strutt) Barkley. In 1834 the family immigrated to Pennsylvania, and settled in Butler county. George subsequently went to Pittsburg, where he followed various occupations until 1852, when he returned to Butler county, and purchased 140 acres of land in Muddy Creek township, now the home of his son Alfred H., where he resided until his death, in 1877. He married Margaret Behm, a daughter of Nicholas Behm, who still resides upon the homestead farm. They were the parents of the following children: Catherine, wife of Henry Hyle; John, of Franklin township; Sarah, wife of Samuel Knox; Margaret, wife of Joachim Snyder; Emma, wife of David West; Mary, widow of Jonathan Jones, and Alfred H. In politics, Mr. Barkley was a Democrat. He was a member of the Lutheran church, in which organization he filled the office of elder.

Alfred H. Barkley, youngest son of George and Margaret Barkley, was born upon the homestead in Muddy Creek township, in 1862, received a common school education, and after reaching his maturity, purchased the farm from his parents. In 1891 oil was developed upon it, and thirteen wells have since been put down, with a total production of 200 barrels per day. In 1885 he married Emma Wimer, a daughter of Jonathan Wimer, of Worth township, and has three children, viz.: Floyd; Gladys, and Paul. Mr. Barkley is an adherent of the Democratic party, and is a member of Rustic Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Prospect. His wife is a member of the Presbyterian church, of

which he is also an attendant. He is one of the enterprising, substantial and progressive farmers of his township.

Philip Melvin, a native of Down county, Ireland, son of James Melvin, was born in 1802, grew to maturity in his native land, and about 1821 immigrated to Allegheny county, Pennsylvania. He learned the cooper's trade in that county, and followed it for some years in Allegheny City. He married Eliza Seth, a daughter of Jacob Seth, of Beaver county, to which union were born the following children: Ann J., wife of James M. Breckenridge; Elizabeth, wife of Frank Davis; David R.; Charlotte, deceased wife of William Lock, and Philip S., of Kansas. In 1836 Mr. Melvin removed to Muddy Creek township, Butler county, and settled upon the farm now in possession of his son David's children. He purchased 200 acres of land, which was patented by James Stewart in 1787. Here he erected a home and devoted the remainder of his life to agricultural pursuits, in connection with his trade, which he followed down to within a few years of his death, in 1882. In early manhood he was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and always took a deep interest in political matters. Mr. Melvin was one of the original members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Portersville, and died a member of the society at Prospect.

David R. Melvin was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1832, and is the eldest son of Philip and Eliza Melvin. He remained with his parents until he learned the wagon-maker's trade, and in 1856 established that business upon his farm in Muddy Creek township, and conducted the same for twenty years. He also engaged in farming. In 1855 he married Susan Roberts, a daughter of William Roberts, of Lawrence county, to which union have been born eight children, six of whom survive, as follows: Emma, wife of Gilmer Sharp; Herman P.; Olive, wife of A. J. Francis; Jennie, wife of Wm. S. Lutz; William W., and Augustus H. Mr. Melvin is a Republican, and has filled the offices of constable, supervisor and school director. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Prospect.

Lott Wilson was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, February 10, 1831, son of James and Mary (Baum) Wilson, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1844. His father was a native of Berks county, whence he removed to Westmoreland county, and afterwards to Butler county. After a few years' residence in Connoquenessing township, he removed to Portsmouth, Ohio, where he died. By his marriage to Mary Baum he became the father of the following children: Martha J., who married Hiram Milhuisen; Tamson, who married James Cratty; William, of Lancaster township, and Lott. The subject of this sketch learned the cooper's trade, which he followed until 1854, and then settled upon the farm where he now resides. It contains 100 acres, which he has cleared and improved, and for the past forty years he has devoted his atttention to farming. Mr. Wilson was married in 1854, to Nancy Gallagher, a daughter of James Gallagher, to which union have been born five children, viz.: Dunwoody; James; Henderson; Robert; William; Jane, wife of Vest Sharp; Tillie, and two that died in infancy. In politics, Mr. Wilson is a Republican, and he is a member of the Lutheran church of Prospect.

John Bauder, Sr., was born at Mett, Canton of Berne, Switzerland, November 19, 1807, son of Abraham and Rose (Walters) Bauder, natives of the same country. He learned the cooper's trade in youth, and in 1831 immigrated with his parents to Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, where he found employment upon the construction of the Pittsburg and Allegheny aqueduct, of the Pennsylvania canal. He afterwards engaged in the dairy business, and then purchased a farm six miles west of Allegheny City, where he lived until the spring of 1852. At that time he removed to Butler county, purchasing 450 acres of land in Muddy Creek township, where his sons, Henry, Jacob, Frederick, and Nicholas, and his daughter, Mrs. T. P. Kennedy, now reside. His parents came with him to this county, died here, and are interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Portersville. In 1867 he and son Henry erected the mill now operated by the latter, who purchased his father's interest in 1870. In the latter year Mr. Bauder retired from active business, and spent the remaining years of his life upon his farm. Politically, he was a Whig in early days, and afterwards a Republican. He married Anna Wiloma, a native of Berne, Switzerland, and they became the parents of the following children: John, a resident of California; Anna, deceased wife of Nicholas Voeghtley; Jacob; Nicholas; Mary, wife of T. P. Kennedy; Frederick, and Henry, all residents of Muddy Creek township; William, of Lawrence county; Charles, of Washington county; Samuel, of Beaver county; Edwin, a resident of California, and two that died in early youth. Mr. Bauder and wife were members of the German Reformed church, in which society he filled the office of deacon. He died March 19, 1886, and his wife, July 29, 1887. They were interred in the German Reformed cemetery, at Middle Lancaster.

Henry Bauder, son of John and Anna Bauder, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 20, 1841, and came with his parents to Butler county when eleven years of age. He attended the district school of his neighborhood, and upon reaching his majority he went to Allegheny county and learned the miller's trade. After completing his apprenticeship he spent two years in Cleveland working at his trade, and subsequently four years in St. Louis. Returning to Butler county he obtained a position as miller in the Kennedy mill, on Slippery Rock, where he worked for two years. In 1867 he formed a partnership with his father, in the erection of the Bauder mill, in Muddy Creek township, and has since carried on business at that point. He was associated with his father, and afterwards with his brother John. The latter sold his interest to Samuel and Edward Bauder, and they afterwards disposed of their interests to Henry, who has always been the practical member of the firm, and is now sole proprietor. The mill has a daily capacity of thirty barrels, and is operated by steam. Mr. Bauder is also engaged in farming, and is quite a prosperous business man. He married Johanna Pyle, a daughter of Joseph Pyle, of Muddy Creek township, and they are the parents of five children, viz.: Melissa J., wife of Henry J. Marks; Cora, wife of F. R. Wimer; Ellen R.; George C., and Edna. Mr. Bauder has been a member of the United Presbyterian church for twenty years, and is one of the ruling elders of the Portersville church. In politics, he is a Republican, and takes a deep interest in the success of his party.

Jacob Bauder, second son of John and Anna Bauder, was born May 18, 1834, in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, and grew to maturity in that county. He accompanied his parents to Butler county, and remained with them until 1865, when he purchased a farm in Muddy Creek township, upon which he lived for seven years. He then returned to the homestead farm, where he has since resided, being now the owner of 225 acres. In April, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served three months. He was married in 1865, to Louisa Bratschi, a daughter of Samuel Bratschi, who resided in Muddy Creek township down to his death. Four children have been the fruits of this union, as follows: John N., a resident of Portersville; Elizabeth A., wife of John G. Lutz, of Lancaster township; Franklin E., and Henrietta R. Politically, Mr. Bauder is a Republican, is a member of Portersville Lodge, Number 909, I. O. O. F., and is one of the leading farmers of Muddy Creek township.

Nicholas Bauder, third son of John and Anna Bauder, was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1835, received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. He came with his parents to Butler county, and assisted his father in clearing and improving the lands purchased in Muddy Creek township. In 1864 he bought fifty acres from his father, erected a residence upon it and made other necessary improvements; he has also added considerable to the acreage of his farm since making his first purchase. In connection with his farm duties, Mr. Bauder has been engaged for some years in purchasing and selling live stock. In 1861 he married Anna Bratschi, a daughter of Samuel Bratschi, who emigrated to this county in 1856, from Switzerland, and settled near Middle Lancaster. After his wife's death Mr. Bratschi made his home with the subject of this sketch until his death, in 1892, at the age of eighty-three years. He was a member of the German Reformed church of Middle Lancaster, and in politics, a Republican. Six children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bauder, as follows: Anna, wife of George Barkley; Nicholas, deceased; Samuel, who married Nettie Powell; Helena; Emma, deceased wife of William Covert; Hays, and Herman. Politically, Mr. Bauder is a Republican, and has filled the office of overseer of the poor for one term, and also that of supervisor four terms. He is a member of the German Reformed church of Middle Lancaster, is connected with Portersville Lodge, Number 909, I. O. O. F., and is also a member of the Encampment.

Frederick Bauder, fourth son of John and Anna Bauder, was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1839, and when thirteen years of age came with his parents to Butler county, where he attended the public schools of his district, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm in Muddy Creek township. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company C, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as the "Round Heads," and served until December 28, 1863, he then re-enlisted and remained in the army until mustered out, July 25, 1865. He participated in the following engagements: The capture of Port Royal, James Island, where he was struck with a piece of shell on the shoulder, but not severely injured, Second Bull Run, Chantilly, South Mountain, where he was wonnded in the right index finger, Antietam, Fredericksburg, siege

of Knoxville, Vicksburg, the Wilderness, and Spottsylvania Court House. In the last mentioned battle he was severely wounded. A minie-ball entered his upper lip, on the left side, and came out through the right cheek, tearing out his teeth and nearly severing his tongue. He was confined for several months in Mount Pleasant and McClellan Hospitals, Washington, D. C., and at the hospitals in Germantown, near Philadelphia, and Pittsburg. He was discharged from the last mentioned hospital October 15, 1864, was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps, and located in Washington, D. C., doing guard duty, until mustered out of the service. Returning to his home in Muddy Creek township he purchased a part of the old homestead, and has since been engaged in general farming and coal operating, having two coal banks upon his farm. Mr. Bauder was married in 1867, to Rebecca J. Wimer, a daughter of Isaac Wimer, of Muddy Creek township, and has four children, viz.: Robert J.; Frederick U., deceased; Jeannette, wife of James Powell, and Eliza, wife of John Wagner. Mr. Bauder is a member of Watson Brothers Post, Number 478, G. A. R., also of Portersville Lodge and Encampment, I. O. O. F. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, takes quite an active interest in the local politics of his township, and has served as supervisor and collector.

Reuben Fisher was born in Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, in 1817, son of George Fisher, a native of Westmoreland county, who removed to what is now Lawrence county about 1797. He settled upon 100 acres of land in Slippery Rock township, where he spent the remainder of his life. His children were as follows: John; Solomon; Henry; Jacob; Reuben; Isaac; William; Polly; Katie; Bessie, and Andrew. Reuben was the fifth son in the family, and resided in Lawrence county until 1845, in which year he purchased a farm in Butler county, close to the county line, upon which he lived for fourteen years engaged in farming. He then bought a grist mill at Harlansburg, Lawrence county, which he operated until 1863. In that year he purchased 180 acres of land in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, where his sons, Washington and Thomas, now live, and resided upon it until his death, in 1869. He was twice married, his first wife being a Miss Kennedy, who did not long survive her marriage. His second wife was Barbara Burton, to whom were born the following children: Washington; Reuben, of Cranberry township; Thomas; Phoebe, who married Jacob Leight; Catherine; Salina, wife of William Updegraff, and Lizzie. Mr. Fisher was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, of Rose Point, Lawrence county, and died in that faith.

Washington Fisher, eldest son of Reuben and Barbara Fisher, was born August 9, 1840, in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, received his education at the common schools, and resided with his parents in Lawrence and Butler counties until his manhood. He married Sarah E. Pollock, a daughter of Alexander Pollock, of Lawrence county, and has one son, Chester L. He is engaged in farming on a portion of the old homestead in Muddy Creek township.

Thomas Fisher, third son of Reuben and Barbara (Burton) Fisher, was born in Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, September 7, 1859, and was reared upon the homestead in Muddy Creek township, Butler county. Upon the death of his father he received fifty acres of land, to which he has since added

twenty acres more, erected buildings and otherwise improved his farm. He married Dora Taylor, a daughter of William Taylor, of Lawrence county, which union has been blessed by three children, viz.: Ernest; Madge, and Winifred. Mr. Fisher was reared in the Covenanter church, and is now a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, of Rose Point, Lawrence county, in which society he is superintendent of the Sunday school. He is one of the progressive and enterprising farmers of the community.

Alexander C. Weller is a son of John and Mary (Vance) Weller, and a grandson of Philip Weller, who came from New Jersey, in 1812, and located on Big run, near New Castle, Lawrence county. John Weller was born in New Jersey, in 1800, came with his parents to Lawrence county, there grew to manhood, and married Mary Vance. He died in that county in 1888. They were the parents of six sons and five daughters. Alexander C. is the youngest son, and was born September 5, 1845. He received a common school education, and lived with his parents until 1867, when he settled upon his present farm of 114 acres, in Muddy Creek township, Butler county, where he has since been engaged in general farming. In 1866 he married Mary A. Riddle, a daughter of John Riddle, of Butler county. Ten children have been the fruits of this union, as follows: Cynthia E., wife of Jonas Fry; Willliam N.; Margaret J., wife of Dallas Wimer; Minnie, wife of Glenn Goves; Elizabeth A.; John R.; Laura; George A.; Ada R., and Wealthy Emma. In 1864 Mr. Weller enlisted in Company I, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He is a member of Watson Brothers Post, G. A. R., of Portersville, and is an ardent supporter of the Republican party.

CHAPTER LXXV.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

Cherry, Washington, Marion, Venango, Parker and Allegheny Townships.

John Christy, a native of Ireland, immigrated to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, toward the middle of the last century, and settled on a farm near the site of Greensburg. He there married Sarah Dunbar, and in the spring of 1799 removed to Butler county and purchased 400 acres of land in what is now Cherry township, situated where his grand-daughter, Mrs. Martha Campbell, now lives. Here he erected a cabin in the primitive forest, and spent the remaining years of his life in clearing and improving a home for his children. His death occurred about 1820. The following children were born of his marriage to Sarah Dunbar: Andrew, and David, both of whom died in Cherry township;

John, who died in Donegal township; James, who died in Cherry; William, who died at Parker's Landing; Dunbar, who died in Cherry; Robert, and George, both of whom died in the same township; Gilbert, who died in Mercer county; Mary; Anna; Elizabeth, and Sarah, all of whom became the heads of families.

Dunbar Christy, son of John and Sarah Christy, was born in Westmoreland county, in 1793, and was six years old when his parents settled in Cherry township. Here he grew to manhood, and purchased a tract of 400 acres in Clay township, his farm being where James Porter now resides. In 1837 he sold the original farm and purchased the property where Mrs. Elizabeth Christy lives, consisting of 200 acres, and died upon this farm March 7, 1883. Mr. Christy was married on June 16, 1818, to Mary Findley, a daughter of Judge Samuel Findley, of Clay township, one of the first associate judges of the county. She died in 1870, at the age of eighty-two years. Their children were as follows: Mary, who died in early youth; John F., who died in 1885; Samuel D., who died in 1864, while serving in the Union army; David D., a minister of the United Presbyterian church, residing in Kansas; Robert F., of Cherry township, and Sarah A., who died in infancy. Mr. Christy was a member of the Associate Reformed church in early life, and one of the original members of West Sunbury United Presbyterian church, being one of the first elders in that society. In politics, he was first a Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and took an active interest in public affairs.

Robert F. Christy, youngest son of Dunbar and Mary Christy, was born August 20, 1828, upon the homestead farm in Clay township, received a common school and academic education, and remained with his parents until their death. He followed teaching for several years, and was engaged in farming until 1893, in which year he retired from active business life. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, at West Sunbury, is a Republican, in politics, and is one of the esteemed and progressive citizens of his township.

Robert Black, a native of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, born about 1770, was one of the early settlers of Cherry township, Butler county. He was married in Huntingdon county, to Elizabeth Grossman, a daughter of Benedict and Betsey (Stivert) Grossman, and in 1797 the whole family came to Butler county. Mr. Grossman brought out a small stock of goods, opened a store in a log building in Washington township, and placed Robert Black in charge of the same, but the store was soon removed to their new home in Cherry township, where they carried on the business for several years. About 1800 Mr. Black purchased 250 acres of land in Cherry township, where his son Joseph now resides. Here he cleared a farm and passed the remaining years of his life engaged in agricultural pursuits. His children were as follows: Benjamin, born in 1800, and died in Cherry township; Henry, who died in Brady township; Margaret, deceased; Robert, who went west and there died; John, who died in Concord township; Elizabeth, deceased wife of John Pierce; Adam, who died on a part of the old homestead; James, who died in Allegheny township; Simon, who died in the same township; Joseph; Mary, deceased wife of John Turner, and Eli, of West Sunbury. Mr. Black and wife were life-long

members of the Presbyterian church, and in politics he was a Whig. He was one of the pioneer constables of his township.

Joseph Black, son of Robert and Elizabeth Black, was born in Cherry township, on his present homestead, July 6, 1826. He was reared on the farm, and followed the millwright's trade four years. He then settled on the old homestead, subsequently purchased 178 acres of the original tract, and continued to farm the same until 1882, in which year he retired, and now resides with his daughter, Mrs. Henry Peters. Mr. Black married Polly McCallen, a daughter of Robert McCallen, who became the mother of the following children: Mary E., wife of Joseph Kenahan; Robert McCallen, who married Keziah McCoy in 1872, and who resides on the old homestead; Julia Ann, wife of Henry Peters; John C.; Eli C., and Maria, the last three of whom are deceased. Politically, Mr. Black is a Republican, and is an adherent of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church, in which society he has filled the office of trustee. He is one of the oldest citizens in the township, and is highly respected by the people of the community.

Henry Peters was born in Germany, in 1854, and is a son of Henry Peters. He immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1874, and found employment in the mines and oil fields of Butler county. In 1879 he married Julia Ann Black, a daughter of Joseph Black, and settled upon eighty acres of the Black homestead. In politics, Mr. Peters is a Republican, and takes a deep interest in public affairs. He is a member of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church, and is a public-spirited and progressive farmer.

James Bovard was born in Ireland, in 1776, a son of John Bovard, a native of Donegal county, who immigrated to Pennsylvania about 1786, and settled in Westmoreland county. The family of John Bovard consisted of five children, viz.: John; Charles; James; Fanny, who married William Chambers, and Mary, who married Robert Foster. James was the only member of the family who settled in Butler county. In 1798 he purchased 200 acres of land in what is now Fairview township, a part of the site of Karns City, and resided there until the spring of 1824. The previous year he bought 250 acres of land in what is now Cherry township, to which he removed with his family the following spring. The homestead is now in possession of his grandson, Charles B. Bovard. He cleared the land, erected buildings thereon, and resided there down to his death. In youth he obtained a very limited education, but through the passing years acquired a wide knowledge of public affairs. He was a stanch Democrat, filled the various township offices, was county commissioner one term, and associate judge of Butler county for thirty-six years. In early life he was connected with the Associate Reformed church, known as Unity church, but when Centreville United Presbyterian church was organized he joined that body and gave liberally of his means toward the erection of a church building. He filled the office of elder until his death, which occurred in 1853. Mr. Bovard was married in Westmoreland county, before his removal to Butler county, to Jane Chambers, a daughter of James Chambers. Ten children were born to this union as follows: William; John; Jane, who married Thomas Floyd; James C.; Fanny; Johnson;

Hutchison; Charles; George, and Washington, all of whom are dead except the last mentioned.

Washington Bovard, youngest son of James and Jane Bovard, was born in Fairview township, Butler county, April 9, 1819. He resided with his parents until maturity, and received his education in the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. In 1845 he embarked in merchandising at West Sunbury, which business he followed for five years. He then settled upon a part of the homestead farm in Cherry township, where he has resided down to the present, owning a farm of 140 acres of well improved land. In 1847 he married Naomi McJunkin, a daughter of William McJunkin, to which union have been born the following children: Imelda, wife of John Bailey; James, deceased, who married Sarah Hall; Angeline, wife of Clarence Campbell; William D., who married Belle Buchanan; Orrin D., of Pittsburg, and Margaret, wife of H. Q. Walker. Mr. Bovard and wife are members of Bethel United Presbyterian church, in which society he fills the office of elder. Politically, he is a Prohibitionist, always true to his party and an ardent advocate of its principles. In 1855 he was elected a justice of the peace, in which office he served five years. He has been a school director for twenty years, and has filled many other offices in the township. The postoffice at Bovard, also the railroad station, were named in his honor. He is one of the prominent, respected and enterprising citizens of the community.

Charles B. Bovard, son of Charles and Mary Bovard, was born upon the homestead where he now resides, September 3, 1859, received a public school education, and has followed farming since boyhood. He now owns fifty-four acres of well improved land. In politics, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of Centreville. Mr. Bovard is connected with Lodge, Number 408, Farmers Alliance, of Branchton, and is one of the enterprising farmers of his community.

Joseph McCoy was a son of Thomas and Catherine McCoy, who removed from Virginia to Mercer county, Pennsylvania, prior to 1800. He remained with his parents in Mercer county until 1802, in which year he settled in Mercer township, Butler county. He had previously married Isabella Craig, a native of Virginia, to which union were born the following children: Thomas; John; Nancy, who married David Johnson; Hiram C.; Elizabeth, who married Alexander Black, and after his death Robert Mitchell; Hugh; David; William, and Lewis. Mr. McCoy remained upon his farm in this county until 1820, when he went to Louisiana for the purpose of erecting a mill, and there died of yellow fever. He was a soldier from Butler county in the War of 1812.

Hiram C. McCoy was born in Mercer township, Butler county, August 17, 1811, third son of Joseph and Isabella McCoy. He was about nine years old when his father died, leaving the family in straightened circumstances, and his opportunities for an education were thus limited to a few months each year in the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. At the age of seventeen he commenced to learn the wagon-maker's trade, which he followed for some years. He then entered the employ of Thomas Kyle, a merchant of Harrisville, later engaged in business with his employer, and opened a store in Wolf Creek township,

Mercer county. In 1850 he formed a partnership with Judge Kerr and opened a store at Anandale, Butler county. He subsequently purchased Kerr's interest and continued the business until 1861, in which year he was elected to the legislature, and re-elected in 1862. In 1863 he embarked in the hotel business at Anandale, and conducted a hotel there for several years. About 1868, in partnership with Jacob Grossman, he built a grist mill at New Hope, Cherry township, and operated it for several years. In 1870 he was appointed an associate judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Cummins, and was the Republican nominee for the same office, but was defeated by the late Samuel Marshall. In 1871, in connection with Charles Duffy, he opened a general store at Anandale, and this partnership continued until 1878, when the firm of H. C. McCoy & Son was formed, and existed until the death of Judge McCoy, October 20, 1893. In politics, he was originally a Whig, but upon the formation of the Republican party he cast his fortunes with that organization and continued to support it down to his death. He was quite prominent in local affairs, and besides serving in the legislature and on the bench, he was a justice of the peace for some years, and also filled the positions of school director, postmaster, etc., for a long period. He was quite an extensive dealer in real estate, and actively identified with agricultural interests throughout his life. Judge McCoy was twice married; first in 1834, to Sarah McCallen, a daughter of Robert McCallen. She died in 1837, leaving three children, viz.: Lewis B., of Washington; Mary A., wife of Robert Shira, and Sarah M., wife of Ephraim Black. His second wife was Harriet McCallen, a sister of his first wife, to which union were born two children: Isabella, deceased wife of Lewis Seaton, and John F. Mrs. McCoy survives her husband and is spending her last years with her children. Judge McCoy was a member of the United Presbyterian church, a man of strong religious convictions, and gave liberally of his means toward the erection of the church building at Mt. Vernon. He was a man of broad views and liberal opinions, and one of the leading men of the community, being progressive, enterprising and public-spirited.

John F. McCoy, youngest son of Hiram C. McCoy, was born May 10, 1857, in Butler county. He received a common school education, and was associated with his father in business until the death of the latter, since which event he has continued alone. He married Clara Christley, a daughter of T. F. Christley, of Cherry township. He has filled the office of postmaster of Anandale, and his wife is now holding the same position. Politically, he is a Republican.

Henry Wolford, a native of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, settled in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, in 1804, where he purchased 125 acres of land, erected a cabin and began life in the forests of this county. His father, John Wolford, was a native of eastern Pennsylvania, and came of Dutch ancestry. He lived and died in Westmoreland county where he followed the occupation of a miller and farmer. His family consisted of the following children: George; John; Peter; Henry; Christian; Daniel; Jacob; Betsey, and Susan. All of these died in Westmoreland county excepting George, who settled in Indiana county, John who located in Mercer county, and Henry who came

to Butler county, and spent the remaining years of his life here. After residing in Slippery Rock township for many years, Henry purchased a small place at Coaltown, Cherry township, where he died. He married Mary Frick, of Westmoreland county, to which union were born thirteen children, as follows: Mary, deceased wife of Daniel Kiester; John, of Prospect; Henry, deceased: Betsey, widow of Samuel Ralston; Margaret, deceased wife of Jesse Kiester; Catherine, deceased wife of Joseph Fair; Jacob; Daniel, deceased; Sarah, deceased wife of John Kiester; George, deceased; Peter, of Venango county; Eli, a resident of Ohio, and Angeline, wife of Henry Bolinger. Mr. Wolford was a member of the Lutheran church, and both he and wife died in that faith. In politics, he was a Whig.

Jacob Wolford, son of Henry and Mary Wolford, was born on the farm in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, April 22, 1817. He attended the pioneer subscription schools, and worked upon the farm assisting his parents in the home duties. At the age of twenty-two he settled in Clay township, and in 1848 he purchased 100 acres of land where he now resides, to which he has since added fifty acres, and also owns an adjoining farm of sixty-two acres. He has one of the best improved farms in Cherry township, but of late years has practically retired from active labor, being now in his seventy-eighth year. Mr. Wolford married Lavina Adams, a daughter of John Adams, who bore him the following children: Perry; Emeline, wife of Foster Hindman; Milton, a resident of Illinois; Lewis, of the same State; Charlotte, and Nelson, both deceased; George; John, deceased; Sarah M., wife of William Stewart, and Angeline, wife of W. Tinker. Mr. Wolford is a Republican, and has filled the office of school director and other official positions in his township. He is one of the original members of the United Presbyterian church of West Sunbury, in which society he has been a trustee for twenty years. He has been a liberal contributor towards the erection of three church buildings in West Sunbury, and is a generous supporter of every worthy enterprise. He is one of the leading citizens of Cherry township, where he has resided for nearly half a century.

George Book, a native of Germany, came to the United States after the Revolutionary war, and subsequently settled in what is now Worth township, Butler county, where he died, February 5, 1823. He married Isabella Vogan, who survived him until October 25, 1854. They were the parents of nine children, as follows: Ruth, who married Charles Brant; Christine, who married Joseph Studebaker; John; George; William; Samuel: James; Polly, who married Harlan Vogan, and Isabella, who became the wife of Thomas Shannon. The family were among the early settlers of Worth township.

James Book, son of George and Isabella Book, was born upon the homestead in Worth township, Butler county, in 1812. He was reared in his native township and learned the trades of stonemason and shoemaker, which he followed there and at New Castle. He subsequently purchased a farm in Cherry township, where his sons, Charles H., and Uriah H. now live. After his settlement in Cherry township he worked at the stonemason's trade in connection with his farm until a few years preceding his death, which occurred April 8, 1868. Mr. Book married Mary Studebaker, a daughter of David Studebaker,

one of the first settlers of Butler county. She died in February, 1885, the mother of the following children: Isabella, deceased wife of Aquilla Miles; David P., who was captain of Company E, One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Elizabeth N., who died in early youth; John G., who died in 1874; Charles H., and Uriah H. Mr. Book was one of the original members of Zion Baptist church, and in politics, he was a Democrat.

Charles H. Book, son of James and Mary Book, was born in 1847, in Worth township, Butler county. He was reared upon a farm, received a common school education, and settled upon a part of the homestead in Cherry township, where he made the present improvements. He married Martha Wasson, a daughter of William Wasson. They are members of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church, in which he holds the office of elder. He is an ardent Republican, has filled the position of school director, etc., in his township, and was a candidate for county treasurer in 1893.

Uriah H. Book, youngest son of James and Mary Book, was born October 8, 1850, in Worth township, Butler county, was reared on a farm and received a common school education. He learned the carriage-maker's trade, which he followed in Kentucky and Tennessee until 1880, when he embarked in the mercantile business at New Hope, Butler county, and subsequently removed to Kiester, where he continued the same business. In 1894 he engaged in oil producing, and is now operating in the Washington field. Politically, Mr. Book is a Democrat, and is one of the representative citizens of his township. He is a member of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church.

Jesse Hall was born in Cecil county, Maryland, in 1799, son of Isaac Hall, a native of the same State, and of English extraction. Jesse followed farming in his native county until 1837, in which year he traded his farm for 500 acres of land situated in what is now Cherry, Brady, Clay and Slippery Rock townships, the larger portion of which is yet owned by his descendants. He built his house upon the farm in Clay township now owned by Amos Hall, where he spent the remaining years of his life, dying in 1869. He married Mary Alexander, of Cecil county, Maryland, who survived him about ten years, and both are buried in St. John's graveyard. Ten children were the fruits of this union, viz.: Isaac A.; James W.; Robert B.; William P.; Caroline, widow of William Scott; Jesse R.; John N.; Mrs. Rachel Brown; Amos, and Isaiah. In politics, Mr. Hall was a Republican. Some fifteen years before his death he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was the leading spirit in the organization of St. John's church and the erection of the building.

Isaac A. Hall, eldest son of John and Mary Hall, was born in Cecil county, Maryland, January 5, 1824, came with his parents to Butler county, and grew to manhood upon the homestead in Clay township. At the age of twenty-two he received thirty-seven acres of his father's farm, and commenced the work of making a home, clearing off the timber and otherwise improving it. He has since added to his original farm 113 acres, and has erected all of the improvements. Mr. Hall has devoted his entire life to agriculture, and is the owner of one of the best improved farms in the northern part of the county. He retired from active business life in 1892, leaving the management of the farm to his son

Milton. Mr. Hall married Hannah McJunkin, a daughter of James McJunkin, to which union were born four children, viz.: Mary A., and Nancy, both deceased; Milton, who married Agnes Glenn, and Sarah, widow of James Bovard. Mrs. Hall died January 21, 1895. She was a member of West Sunbury Presbyterian church. Mr. Hall is a member of the same society, and in politics, he is a Republican. He has led a very busy life, and although taking no active interest in public affairs, he has filled the office of school director in his township, and done his full share in the social and material development of the community.

JOHN SPROUL, a native of Down county, Ireland, settled on Oil creek, Venango county, about 1811. In 1816 he came to Butler county and purchased a farm near Mt. Chestnut, which he cleared and improved, and spent the remaining years of his life there. He was a weaver, and left his native land in company with a family named Robinson. On the voyage Mr. Robinson died, and our subject subsequently married the widow. Six children were born to this union, viz.: Andrew; Robert; Margaret, who married William Howe; Sarah, who married Samuel Howe; Fannie, who married John Weigley, and Ellen, who married Joseph Dodds, all of whom are dead. His second wife was Eleanor Kincaid, *nee* Pillow, who bore him four children: William, deceased; James, of Marion township; Susan, wife of Andrew Rose, and Hugh. Mr. Sproul died in 1837; his widow survived him until 1854. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

HUGH SPROUL, youngest child of John and Eleanor Sproul, was born on the homestead farm near Mt. Chestnut, Butler county, July 4, 1824. At the age of sixteen he commenced learning the carpenter's trade, and in 1848 he located in Cherry township, where he established himself in business, and was one of the leading carpenters and builders of that locality for thirty years. He also performed the duties of a millwright, and still continues to work at his trade in connection with farming. In 1851 he purchased and settled on his present farm of 160 acres, which he has since improved and cultivated. Mr. Sproul has been twice married; first in 1848, to Elizabeth Smith, who died in 1850, leaving two children, who are still living, viz.: John P., a physician of Plain Grove, and Elizabeth, wife of C. S. Stoner, of Butler. In 1851 he married Sarah Glenn, a daughter of James Glenn, of Clay township. The children of this marriage are as follows: William, and Ellen, both of whom died in early youth; James, who died in 1884; Andrew, a merchant at Gomersal; Addie, wife of Jacob Reinck; Clara, wife of John Christy; Rella, wife of Samuel Hindman; Minnie, wife of D. L. Hockenberry; Everett, and Ross. In politics, Mr. Sproul is a Republican, has filled the office of school director, and is at present collector and assessor of his township. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, of West Sunbury. In 1864 he enlisted in Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He and Edwin G. Sproul built the grist mill at Anandale, which is operated under the firm name of Hugh Sproul & Company.

JAMES SPROUL, son of John and Eleanor Sproul, was born in Franklin township, Butler county, November 15, 1820, and was reared in his native township. He has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits, and has resided in

Marion township since 1880. In 1851 he married Elizabeth Scott, a daughter of Robert Scott, of Franklin township, and is the father of four children, viz.: Edwin G.; Francis, deceased; James, and John. Mr. Sproul is the oldest living member of the family. In politics, he is a Republican, and a respected citizen of the township.

Edwin G. Sproul, eldest son of James and Elizabeth Sproul, was born in Butler township, Butler county, in October, 1852, where he was reared and educated. After attaining his majority he engaged in lumbering and in operating saw mills in different parts of Butler county, and in partnership with his uncle, Hugh Sproul, erected the Anandale grist mill, at Anandale station, in Marion township, which has since been operated under his management, the firm name being Hugh Sproul & Company. The mill is equipped with modern improvements, including the roller process, and is one of the leading mills in this section of the county. Mr. Sproul was married July 9, 1873, to Mary Croup, a daughter of Abraham and Harriet Croup, of Butler township. They have four children, viz.: Clara; Hugh; Cora, and Cortie. Mr. Sproul is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Thomas Bryan was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1789, and was a son of Zephaniah and Elizabeth (De Vorce) Bryan. His father was a native of Maryland, and settled on the line of Allegheny and Westmoreland counties, Pennsylvania, where he died. He was a veteran of the Revolution. His wife was Elizabeth De Vorce, and their children were as follows: John; Mary, who married Conrad Snyder; Joseph; Elizabeth, who married Joseph Spears; Jennie, who married John Double; Effie, who married John Wilson; Thomas, and Prudence, who married John Abner. His second wife was a Miss McLane, and their children were: James; Zephaniah; Zachariah; Phoebe; Mrs. Margaret Wilson; Nancy, who married James Wilson; David, and Hamilton, all of whom are dead. In October, 1819, Thomas Bryan came to Butler county and purchased 300 acres of land in Brady township, where his son Thomas now resides. He was a manufacturer of spinning wheels, and worked at his trade in connection with farming. He died upon his farm in Brady township, January 23, 1874, and his wife Margaret, in 1879. He married Margaret Steel, a daughter of Robert Steel, of Westmoreland county, to which union were born the following children: Eliza J., deceased wife of John T. McCandless; Robert S.; Zephaniah, of California; Thomas J. D., deceased; John, a resident of Beaver Falls; Thomas, of Brady township, and Archie L., of Beaver Falls. Mr. Bryan was a Baptist, and Mrs. Bryan a Presbyterian. In politics, he was a Democrat.

Robert S. Bryan, son of Thomas and Margaret Bryan, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, July 31, 1818, and was reared in Brady township, Butler county. He worked with his father at the spinning wheel trade, at which he was engaged for many years. In 1841 he purchased sixty acres of the old homestead farm, upon which he resided until 1864. In that year he bought 318 acres in Cherry township, which he has since improved, and now owns one of the best farms in the community. Mr. Bryan was married in 1844, to Margaret English, a daughter of James English, of Muddy Creek township. The following children are the fruits of this union: Priscilla, wife of Casper Hockenberry; Mary

A.; Eliza J., deceased wife of Robert Hogg; Thomas J., of Concord township; Margaret A.; Archibald L., of Franklin township; Elizabeth A., deceased, and Marinda C. Mr. Bryan and wife are members of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat, and has filled many of the township offices. He is one of the most extensive farmers of his township, and gives a liberal support to every worthy enterprise.

Thomas F. Christley, son of John and Elizabeth (Smith) Christley, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, February 7, 1828. He received a common school education, and learned the plasterer's trade in early manhood. In 1858 he purchased his present farm in Cherry township, which consisted of 196 acres, a portion of which he has since sold. He now owns 100 acres of well improved land, where he has followed agricultural pursuits, in connection with his trade, up to within a few years. In July, 1857, he married Ann C. Hill, a daughter of Daniel K. Hill, of Centreville, and has the following children: Clara M., wife of John F. McCoy; Alfred M., an attorney of Butler; Samuel J., a lawyer residing in Chicago; Wilbur H., deceased; Emma, wife of Andrew Sproul; John and Herbert, both deceased; Laurell E.; DeWitt, deceased; Blanche, and Maude. Mr. Christley was a Republican until 1884, when he became a Prohibitionist. He has filled the offices of school director and supervisor, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. In 1864 he enlisted in Company B, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, participating in the battles of Hatcher's Run, Petersburg, etc. In early life he united with the Methodist Episcopal church of Centreville, and was one of the original members of the Anandale church. He is a member of Dickson Post, G. A. R., of West Sunbury, and one of the leading citizens of his township.

William D. McCune, physician and surgeon, is a son of Robert and Jane (Devin) McCune, and a grandson of Archibald McCune, one of the early settlers of Lawrence county. He was born near Grove City, Mercer county, October 5, 1848, and was educated in the public schools and at Grove City Academy. He read medicine with Dr. M. P. Barker, of New Castle, and graduated at the Medical University, Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1878. The following year he located at Bovard, Butler county, where he has continued in practice up to the present. Dr. McCune married Cary Cosgrove, a daughter of James Cosgrove, of Lawrence county, and has one son, Harry B. In politics, he is actively identified with the Democratic party. He is a member of New Hope Presbyterian church, and is connected with the I. O. O. F., and the Jr. O. U. A. M.

George K. McAdoo, M. D., son of W. F. and Maria (Dumars) McAdoo, was born in Sugar Grove township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, July 21,1866. He was educated in the public schools of Greenville, Grove City College and at Thiel College, read medicine with Dr. L. H. Henry, of Kennard, and graduated at West Penn Medical College, Pittsburg, in March, 1892. He began practice at Coraopolis, but in May, 1892, located at Anandale, Butler county, where he has since been engaged in the duties of his profession. Dr. McAdoo was married in June, 1891 to Ethyl Nelson, a daughter of J. J. Nelson, of Emlenton,

and has one daughter, Dulce M. The Doctor is a Democrat in politics, and is a member of Pleasant Valley Presbyterian church.

William Bell, Sr., was a native of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and came to Butler county about 1796. He entered a tract of about 500 acres of land in what is now Washington township, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was killed while assisting in the erection of a neighbor's house, and left a family of five sons and four daughters, all of whom are dead. The names of the sons are as follows: John; William; Samuel; George, and Walter, all of whom were in the War of 1812. The daughters were: Polly, who married David Christie; Rosa, who married Thomas Taylor; Betsey, who married Robert Phillips, and Rebecca, who became the wife of John Campbell. Mr. Bell was a man of considerable prominence in his locality, and was widely known for his great antipathy to Indians, against whom he had seen much service. He had lost several of his brothers and ancestry during the Indian wars, consequently had little love for the red man.

William Bell, son of William Bell, Sr., was born in Westmoreland county, April 11, 1788, and came to Butler county with his father when about eight years old. He grew to manhood in Washington township, served in the War of 1812, and was married to Catherine McKimmons, May 3, 1814. They settled in this township, and lived and died upon the old homestead, now the property of their son Alexander. Mr. Bell was the father of the following children: Samuel; John; Gabriel; William; Alexander; Patton; Polly; Rebecca; Eliza J., and Martha. His wife was a daughter of Gabriel McKimmons, a native of Ireland, and a pioneer of Butler county. Mr. Bell died January 30, 1850, and his wife, August 22, 1852. They were among the original members of the United Presbyterian church, at Mt. Vernon.

Alexander Bell, son of William and Catherine Bell, was born on his present homestead in Washington township, May 23, 1829. He inherited the property from his father, and has always been engaged in farming, and recently in oil producing. He was married September 12, 1854, to Ellen Stewart, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Stewart, the former a native of Butler county, and the latter of Ireland. Mrs. Bell was born June 28, 1835, and is the mother of ten children, all of whom are living, viz.: Ada A.; Amanda J.; Thomas P.; Lizzie A.; Emma C.; Sarah L.; CharlesE.; Edwin E.; Jessie M., and Harriet E. In August, 1864, Mr. Bell enlisted in Company A, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war, being present at the surrender of Lee's army. Politically, he has been a Democrat, but of late years has supported the Prohibition party. He and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Samuel Bell, third son of William Bell, Sr., was born in Westmoreland county, and grew to manhood in Butler county. The family located in Washington township, Butler county, and later Samuel opened a store at North Washington, being one of the early merchants of that place. He subsequently purchased 200 acres of land, which embraced the farms now owned by his sons, Nelson P. and Andrew I. Bell, on the line of Washington and Concord townships. Here he resided until his death, September 18, 1846. Mr. Bell married

Barbara Campbell, a daughter of Samuel Campbell, to which union were born the following children: James C.; Rosanna, wife of Henry Shane; Samuel S; William and Archibald, both deceased; Martha J., wife of Ira Campbell; Andrew Irvin, and Nelson P. Mrs. Bell died about 1879. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, to which denomination her husband also belonged. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and in politics, he was a stanch Democrat.

Andrew Irvin Bell, fifth son of Samuel and Barbara Bell, was born on his present homestead farm in Washington township, December 9, 1837. He received a common school education, and was reared a farmer. After reaching his majority, he bought fifty acres of land from his mother, to which he has added fifty-one acres and made all of the improvements. In connection with farming, he is also interested in oil producing, having several wells upon his farm. Mr. Bell married Sadie Miller, who has borne him the following children: Eveline, wife of W. P. Hilliard; Albert S.; Minnie May; Leroy; Harry E., deceased; Plummer E.; Lester, and Lilly. Politically, Mr. Bell is a Republican, and in religion, is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church of North Washington.

Samuel Meals was a native of York county, Pennsylvania, whither his parents immigrated from Germany prior to the Revolution. He grew to manhood in his native county, whence he removed to Adams county, there married and reared the following children: George, who married Elizabeth Studebaker; Peggy, who married George Daubenspeck; William, who finally settled in Clarion county; Samuel, who married Miss Hoover; Jacob, who married a Miss Varnum, and Daniel, who married Catherine Studebaker. In the spring of 1796 the eldest son, George, came to what is now Butler county, took up several hundred acres of land on the line of Washington and Concord townships, and made some improvements. The following year the father and balance of the family came and settled on this land. Mr. Meals was a blacksmith, as were also his sons George and Samuel, and built the first shop in the township, which he carried on in connection with farming. He was quite a prominent man in his neighborhood and filled many of the township offices at different periods. He and all his children attained a ripe old age, and their descendants are numerous in Butler county.

George Meals, eldest son of Samuel Meals, Sr., was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, and there grew to maturity. In 1796 he came to this part of the State and took up the large tract of land referred to in his father's sketch, upon which the family settled the following year. George afterwards went to Westmoreland county and there married Elizabeth Studebaker. About 1811 he returned to Butler county and settled at Mechanicsburg, in Worth township, where he carried on a blacksmith shop. In 1817 he removed to Concord township, and later to Washington township, where he continued to follow his trade in connection with agriculture. To George and Elizabeth Meals were born seven children, as follows: Samuel G., who was born in Westmoreland county, July 4, 1809, and died on his farm in Washington township, September 21, 1877; Lydia, who married John Mahood; Mollie; Joseph G.; Peggy, who mar-

ried Joseph Pisor; Elizabeth, who married Jacob Pisor, and Susanna, who married Daniel Pisor. The parents and all of the children are deceased.

Joseph G. Meals, second son of George Meals, was born in Worth township, Butler county, June 6, 1813. He removed with his parents into Concord township when about four years old, and later to Washington township. He married Hannah Hilliard, a daughter of Isaac Hilliard, to whom were born ten children. Five of these grew to maturity, viz.: Isaac; Samuel P.; Naomi J., wife of E. E. Kidder; Thomas J., and Sheridan T. Mr. Meals was a stonemason, and followed his trade in connection with farming until his death, May 5, 1893. His widow resides with her daughter in Warren, Ohio. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican.

John Shira was a native of Berks county, Pennsylvania, of German origin, and served in the Revolutionary war. After its close he married and settled in Westmoreland county, his wife being Maria Ann Frifugle. About 1798 he removed to Butler county, accompanied by his wife and five children, and settled on what is now known as the Fletcher farm, in Washington township. He soon afterwards purchased a large tract of land in the southern part of the township, of which, however, he was afterwords dispossessed by fraud. He then bought a tract of 300 acres near the center of the township, which is now owned by his grandsons, Alfred L. and David H. Shira. He reared a family of ten children, seven sons and three daughters, as follows: Daniel; Susan, who married Adam Mooney; Polly, who married Jacob Hilliard; John, who served in the War of 1812; William; Jacob; Peter; Lewis; Elizabeth, who married Robert Hanna, and David, all of whom are dead. Mr. Shira was one of the original members of the Lutheran church at North Washington, was an exemplary man and a good citizen.

David Shira, youngest son of John and Maria Ann Shira, was born March 4, 1805, in Washington township, Butler county, and grew to manhood in that locality. He married Maria Hutchison, whose parents were among the early settlers of the county. They reared seven children, whose names are as follows: William M.; Samuel; Robert O.; Alfred L.; David H.; Eliza J., and Anna. Mr. Shira and wife were pioneer members of the United Presbyterian church, at Mt. Vernon. He died April 9, 1885, and his wife, April 7, 1890.

William M. Shira, eldest son of David and Maria Shira, was born June 23, 1833, upon the old homestead, grew to maturity in his native township, and received a common school education. In 1854 he crossed the plains to California, in pursuit of the riches stored in the gold mines of that state, and followed mining until 1858. In that year he returned home via the Isthmus of Panama, bringing with him the accumulations of the four years spent in the mines. In the meantime he had sent sufficient money here to purchase his present farm, upon which he settled and has since resided. Mr. Shira was married on June 29, 1850, to Elizabeth M. Christy, a daughter of William Christy, of Venango county, where her father served as justice of the peace for many years. Six children have been born to this union, viz.: Margaret L., wife of George W. Meals; Maria E., wife of James B. Young; Leonidas, who married Edith Mitchell; Alvin L.; Jennie, and Adda M. The family are adherents of the

United Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Shira has filled the office of ruling elder for several years. Politically, he has been a life-long Republican, has taken quite an active part in public affairs, and was elected prothonotary of Butler county in 1884, in which office he served three years. He has also filled the office of school director many years, and is one of the leading farmers of the community.

Samuel Shira, second son of David and Maria (Hutchison) Shira, was born January 7, 1836, upon the homestead farm in Washington township. He received a common school education, was reared a farmer, and is now the owner of 125 acres of well improved land. Mr. Shira was married on February 22, 1859, to Ruth E. Steintorf, who was born July 6, 1840. They are the parents of the following children: Calvin C., who married Clara Dodds, and lives in Butler; Ida M., wife of J. Horace Glenn, of Washington township; Annie E., wife of Edward Bell; Madge A.; David W.; Thomas P., and Eva F. Mr. Shira has a fine oil development on his farm, one of the most productive wells in the Washington field being struck there in 1893, which now contains nine oil wells and one gas well. He is one of the progressive business men of the township, and gives his support to every worthy enterprise. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, and has filled most of the local offices of his township. He and family are members of the United Presbyterian church.

Peter Shira, son of John Shira, was born October 15, 1800, and is still living in Washington township at the remarkable age of more than ninety-four years. On January 2, 1826, he married Jane Hutcheson, born May 12, 1800, and immediately following their marriage they settled in Washington township, Butler county, and began the work of making a home. They became the parents of four sons and four daughters, viz.: William H., of Parker township; Margaret A., wife of William Lewis, of Washington township; John M., and Fergus M., both residents of Parker township; Matilda, wife of M. J. Christy, of Washington township; Esther, wife of William Christy, of Venango township; Pelina, wife of D. M. Waldron, of Mercer county, and Alfred G., who enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died in the service. The mother died April 6, 1892, after a happy married life of sixty-six years.

Fergus M. Shira was born in Washington township, Butler county, February 4, 1833, third son of Peter and Jane Shira. He was reared upon a farm and received his education in the common schools and at Witherspoon Institute. On January 1, 1857, he married Catherine J. Kelly, a native of Slippery Rock township, where she was born September 1, 1839. Her father, Samuel Kelly, was born in Down county, Ireland, December 25, 1800, and died April 28, 1880. Her mother, Eliza (McKee) Kelly, was born in Antrim county, Ireland, in 1814, and died April 17, 1880, eleven days before her husband. After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Shira took up their residence in Washington township, where he followed the carpenter's trade, and also engaged in oil operating in Venango county. In 1869 he located near Parker City, which has since been his home. He followed his trade for some years, but later devoted his attention to oil producing, which he still continues to follow. Mr. and Mrs.

Shira are the parents of two children, viz.: Samuel Curtis, born December 6, 1857, and Caspian H., March 17, 1860. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, is a member of the Masonic order, and is connected with the Royal Templars. Politically, he is a leading Republican of his township, has served as justice of the peace, and was a candidate for sheriff in 1882.

James Mahood was a native of Ireland, whence he came to the United States, where he married Sally Mahood, whose parents had immigrated to this country at the same time. They stopped for a short period near Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, coming to Butler county about 1800. His wife's family settled in what is now Penn township, while he located on a tract of 500 acres lying northwest of the site of North Washington, a portion of which is still owned by his grandson, James A. Mahood. He reared a family of seven children, as follows: John; George; James; Adam; Thomas; Ann, and Sarah, who married Jacob Miller, all of whom are dead except James and Mrs. Miller. Mr. Mahood became a man of some local prominence. He was killed in middle life.

John Mahood, eldest son of James Mahood, was born in 1800, grew up amidst the scenes of pioneer life, and endured the privations incident to that period. He married Lydia Meals, whose parents were pioneers of Washington township, and reared four children, viz.: James A.; George W.; Samuel, and Joseph. Mr. Mahood was one of the original members of the United Presbyterian church of Mt. Vernon, and died in 1851. His widow belonged to the same organization, and survived him more than forty years, dying January 16, 1893, aged eighty-six years.

James A. Mahood, eldest son of John and Lydia Mahood, was born on the farm near where he now resides, January 14, 1830, was reared to farm life, and has followed that vocation up to the present. In early manhood he worked for a few years at wagon-making. On March 18, 1856, Mr. Mahood married Marilda Hilliard, a daughter of Samuel R. Hilliard, a descendant of one of the early settlers of the township. They are the parents of six children, as follows: John L.; Margaret A.; Samuel E.; Cora M., wife of W. R. Turner; William E., and W. Scott. Mr. Mahood and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church of Mt. Vernon, and in politics, he is a Republican.

Jacob Hilliard, a native of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, was a son of Isaac Hilliard, a native of Germany. Jacob was a soldier in the War of the Revolution, and after its close engaged in farming. In 1802 he located in what is now Washington township, Butler county, purchasing 300 acres of land where Oscar Meals now resides. Soon afterwards he and two of his sons secured a second tract of about 300 acres, and in the course of a few years the family owned about 1200 acres in that locality. Jacob Hilliard reared a family of nine sons, all of whom lived to a ripe old age, and became heads of families, except Philip, who never married. Their names are as follows: Francis; Jacob; Peter; George; Abraham; Isaac; John; Philip, and Elisha. Abraham and Isaac served in the War of 1812. The father died at the age of eighty-one years. He was a man of considerable local influence and prominence, and led an active and useful life.

John Hilliard, son of Jacob Hilliard, Sr., was born August 3, 1795, and came to Butler county with his parents when a lad of seven years. He was reared in Parker township, and was married December 11, 1820, to Mary Parker. They were the parents of ten children, all of whom grew to maturity. Four of the sons served in the Rebellion, viz.: Eli, Israel, Peter and James. Eli was a lieutenant, and was killed at the battle of Fredericksburg. In 1823 Mr. Hilliard erected the first grist mill on Slippery Rock creek, at Hilliards, and followed that business the remainder of his life. He died December 11, 1869.

Philip Hilliard, fourth son of John and Mary Hilliard, was born in what is now Washington township, February 10, 1828, was educated in the common schools and at Butler Academy, and taught several years in the public schools of the county. In 1856 he was elected a county commissioner, and at the close of his term was twice appointed to fill a vacancy as clerk of the board. In 1860 he was elected a justice of the peace, and served continuously for twenty years. In 1870 he was census enumerator for six districts in the northeast part of the county. In 1877 he engaged in merchandising, which he followed for six years. He is at present filling several township offices, and is one of the useful men of the community. Mr. Hilliard was married on June 7, 1859, to Mary S. Coe, to which union were born four children, all of whom are dead. Politically, he is a Republican, a high protectionist, and a stanch supporter of the principles of his party. He served as postmaster under Harrison's administration, and for forty years has filled some official position. He is the oldest living representative of this pioneer family, after whom the village of Hilliards was named.

Peter P. Hilliard, miller, is the seventh son of John and Mary (Parker) Hilliard, and was born in the village of Hilliards, December 24, 1832. He received a common school education, and in boyhood commenced to learn the milling business with his father; subsequently became his partner, and at his father's death succeeded to the business, which he continued down to 1888. He and his brother Philip are the only surviving members of the family in this vicinity. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served eleven months. He was taken prisoner at the battle of Fredericksburg, and was kept in Libby prison for twenty-three days, when he was exchanged. He participated in many hard fought battles, and was mustered out of service with the rank of corporal. Mr. Hilliard was married to Sarah A. Rider, September 18, 1860, who became the mother of four children, viz.: John M. F.; Newton E.; Nancy Bell, deceased, and Margaretta A. Mrs. Hilliard died July 11, 1863. He was again married, to Effina M. Hilliard, a grand-daughter of Z. A. Hilliard, of Washington township, who is the mother of one daughter, Chloe M. Politically, Mr. Hilliard is a Republican, and both he and wife are members of the Lutheran church.

Hilliard Brothers, farmers and manufacturers of brick and tile, consist of P. Lyman Hilliard, born December 18, 1848; M. Luther Hilliard, born September 21, 1861, and William P. Hilliard, born in July, 1869. All were born upon the old homestead, where they now reside, and are sons of Samuel and Elizabeth (Jamison) Hilliard. Samuel was a son of Isaac Hilliard, and a grandson of Jacob Hilliard, Sr., the first of the family to settle in Washington

township. Their mother was the grand-daughter of a Hessian soldier who served in the German contingent of the English army, in the Revolution, and settled in Pennsylvania at the close of the war. The old homestead of Samuel Hilliard has been divided into three farms, the property of his sons. In 1887 they established a brick and tile yard upon the old farm, which is rapidly developing into a lucrative business, being the only one of the kind in the township. The family are Republicans, in politics. The Hilliard Brothers are recognized as enterprising and progressive business men.

Thomas Kelly, Jr., son of Thomas Kelly, was born in Parker township, Butler county, received a good common school education, and followed school teaching for many years. He afterwards settled in Washington township and engaged in farming. He was a Whig during the existence of that party, and afterwards a Republican. He filled many of the offices in his township, and one term as county commissioner. From his youth he was a member of the Seceder church, and after the union, in 1858, he was a United Presbyterian. He was an elder in both denominations, and was known as one of the most pious, God-fearing men in Butler county. Mr. Kelly married Miss Miriam Wilson, and to them were born the following named children: James W.; John T.; Richard; Melinda, now the Widow Maxwell; Thomas D., deceased; Nancy, deceased wife of H. H. Daubenspeck; Isabella; Milton A., and Melvin B., the last three of whom are dead, and Amelda J., wife of Frank Peffer. Mr. Kelly was a natural mechanic, an industrious man, a fine penman, and was strong in body, mind and character. He died on October 2, 1867, in the fifty-ninth year of his age. His wife, a sincere Christian and a kind mother, survived him until March, 1871.

Harmon Seaton was born in Washington township, Butler county, June 9, 1842. His grandfather, Robert Seaton, came from eastern Pennsylvania to Butler county in 1800, and settled in Marion township, entering 400 acres of land, upon which he afterwards carried on a tannery and woolen mill. The subject of this sketch enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, in August, 1861, and served three years. In September, 1864, he enlisted in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until the close of the war. At the battle of Fair Oaks he was wounded in the right thigh, and has been a pensioner since the Rebellion ended. In politics, Mr. Seaton is a Republican, and is now filling the offices of collector and constable.

Alexander Clark was born in eastern Pennsylvania, May 30, 1800, a son of Col. William Clark, a native of Scotland, who served in the Revolution. After the war Colonel Clark settled in this State, and married a Miss Nesbit. Alexander was reared in Pennsylvania, came to Butler county in 1835, and settled on a farm near the center of Washington township, where he remained the balance of his life. He was one of the prosperous farmers of the community for half a century. He was twice married; first to Eliza Storey, May 23, 1848. She was born in Fairview township, Butler county, March 18, 1817, and became the mother of nine children. By his second marriage Mr. Clark was the father of seven children. He died December 25, 1889. He was a Republican, in politics, and filled the various offices in his township. A member of the United Pres-

byterian church, he always manifested a commendable interest in religious affairs.

JOHN C. CLARK, fourth son of Alexander Clark by his second marriage, was born upon the old homestead where he now lives, December 31, 1856. He was reared and educated in his native township, and has devoted his energies towards agricultural pursuits. He has recently engaged in oil producing on his own farm, most of which he has leased for that purpose. He is an active Republican, and one of the prosperous young farmers of his township.

WILLIAM ROYLE was a native of Chester county, England, and by trade a machinist. He married Sarah Simmons in his native land, and immigrated with his family to Pennsylvania in 1837. In 1840 he came to Butler county, and ten years afterwards purchased a farm in Allegheny township, upon which he lived until his death. They had a family of four sons, named as follows: William, of Allegheny township; Charles, deceased; Robert, deceased, and Henry, of Washington township.

HENRY ROYLE, farmer and coal dealer, was born in England, in August, 1825, and came to Butler county with his parents. He purchased his present homestead in 1867, consisting of seventy acres, upon which he has since resided. In 1876 he leased some coal lands near his farm, which he has developed into a very lucrative trade, shipping as many as thirty tons per day. He has recently constructed a switch to his mine, and hopes in the near future to largely increase his business. Mr. Royle was married November 13, 1851, to Eliza Crozier, a native of Armstrong county. Eleven children have been born to this union, whose names are as follows: Mrs. Sarah Jenkins; Mrs. Harriet Cook; William; Mrs. Julia A. McKee; John; Robert; Washington M.; Clara; James H.; Isabella, and Catherine. Four of the sons, Robert, Washington, James, and John are in business with their father. Mr. Royle was a Democrat up to 1893, when he declared his intention to henceforth support the Republican party and a high tariff.

EDMUND JENKINS was born October 5, 1842, a son of Joseph Jenkins. On May 14, 1874, he married Sarah Royle, a daughter of Henry and Eliza Royle. He was then a resident of Brady's Bend, Armstrong county. Mrs. Jenkins was born August 31, 1853, and has two children, viz.: Mary, born December 6, 1877, and Hattie, born March 29, 1879. Her husband died August 8, 1878.

JOHN BEATTY, a native of Ireland, came to Pennsylvania with his parents in boyhood, and settled in Westmoreland county. He grew to manhood in that county, and there married Jane Guthrie, December 31, 1789, a sister of Jack Guthrie, a celebrated Indian scout of that period. Her brother William was killed by the Indians during the massacre at Hannahstown. In 1792 John Beatty removed to Perry township, Armstrong county, and settled on a farm, where he spent the balance of his life. His children were as follows: Jane, who married William Campbell; Agnes, who married James Shepard; Margaret, who married a Mr. Hall, and after his death, James Guthrie; John G.; Samuel; William; Elizabeth, and Sarah.

WILLIAM BEATTY, youngest son of John and Jane Beatty, was born in 1805, in Perry township, Armstrong county. He there grew to maturity, and married

Elizabeth A. Sedgwick. They lived upon the old homstead in Armstrong county until 1854, in which year they located upon a farm at Annisville, Washington township, Butler county, where he died the same year. Mr. Beatty was an old-line Whig and an Abolitionist, and was a strict temperance man. He served as a justice of the peace in his native county for many years. He reared a large family, and has many descendants residing in this section of the State.

John L. Beatty, druggist, was born in Perry township, Armstrong county, November 1, 1833. On the death of his father the care of the family largely devolved upon him, as he was the eldest. He worked for his mother for some years, and then purchased the farm and carried it on until 1871, in which year he sold out and engaged in oil producing. He followed the oil business for four years, removing to Hilliards in 1875, where he engaged in the lumber trade. He continued in that business until 1883, and then embarked in a drug store, which he has since conducted. Mr. Beatty was married June 25, 1857, to Henrietta D. McCool, whose ancestors came from Ireland. Nine children were the fruits of the union, five of whom are living, viz.: Edwin C.; William S.; Gertrude E., wife of Joseph Burnett; Maud M., and Clarence L. The deceased are: Laura B., who married W. B. Fowler; George P.; Philo A., and Elizabeth L. Mr. Beatty and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he fills the office of Sunday school superintendent. In politics, he is a Republican, and has held many of the offices in his township. He is the owner of a farm of 125 acres adjoining the village of Hilliards, from which the Standard Plate Glass Company of Butler obtain the sand for polishing purposes. It is thus a valuable property, and brings him in a respectable income.

Rev. R. B. Starks, pastor of the Lutheran church at North Washington, was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, January 17, 1842. He is a son of Robert P. and Margaret (Wills) Starks, natives of Mifflin county, of Scotch ancestry, and of the same lineage as Gen. John Stark, of Revolutionary fame. His father was a laborer, and had a brother who died while serving in the Mexican war. The subject of this sketch was educated at Selins Grove Missionary Institute, and was ordained in 1879. He commenced his ministry in Will county, Illinois, where he remained for two years, and then located at Elderton, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, where he was pastor of a Lutheran charge for four and a half years. In January, 1885, he became pastor of his present charge, which position he has occupied up to the present. Mr. Starks served in Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for nearly three years, being honorably discharged on May 29, 1865. He was wounded in the right thigh by a gun shot in front of Petersburg, for which he draws a pension from the government. His brother, Charles T., served in the same company, and died in the rebel prison at Salisbury, North Carolina. Mr. Starks was married May 12, 1880, to Jennie Kistner, who died July 27, 1882, leaving two sons: Benjamin K., born February 27, 1881, and Robert W., deceased. He was again married August 8, 1883, to Maggie Black, a daughter of Joseph and Mary (Crissman) Black, of Indiana county. Since becoming pastor of his present charge, Mr. Starks has done much towards its spiritual and material prosperity, and the congregation is now in a flourishing condition.

O. P. Pisor, physician and surgeon, North Washington, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, January 16, 1853, son of John and Mary (Emery) Pisor, both natives of this county. The Pisors were among the first settlers of this section of the State, and located in Butler county as early aa 1795, their original entries being situated in what is now Worth township. We find in the first assessment of original Slippery Rock township, made in 1803, the names of Jacob and John Pisor, spelled in records "Poyzer." Jacob is assessed with 400 acres of land, one horse and one cow, and John with a saw mill and distillery. Adam and George Pisor came about the same time as John and Jacob, and settled in the same locality. Adam married a daughter of David Studebaker, the first settler of Worth township, and their son John, was the father of our subject. The family is of German origin, and numerous descendants of the original settlers are still living in the county. John Pisor, son of Jacob, was the first white child born within the limits of Worth township, his birth occurring on October 31, 1798. David Studebaker, the maternal great grandfather of our subject, came to Butler county from Westmoreland county. His father was a soldier in the Revolution, and a captive among the Indians in boyhood for nine years. John Pisor married Mary J. Emery, located in Worth township in 1857, and was quite a successful farmer. He was a Democrat, in politics, and was an elder in the Presbyterian church. The subject of this sketch was reared upon a farm, attended the common schools in boyhood, and completed his education at Pine Grove Academy and at Waynesburg College. He afterwards engaged in teaching, which profession he followed for several years, commencing in the meantime the study of medicine with Dr. Patterson, of Slippery Rock. He attended lectures for two seasons at the Medical Department of the University of Wooster, Cleveland, Ohio, and in 1881 he attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, in Philadelphia, graduating from that institution in March, 1881. He began practice at Harrisville, Butler county, remaining there for seven years, and then removed to North Washington. He has since built up a lucrative practice, and is recognized as one of the progressive physicians of the county. Dr. Pisor is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, and takes a deep interest in the growth and development of medical science. He is prominent in educational affairs, and has served as a member of the school board, and secretary of the same for several years. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, and for some years superintendent of the Sunday school. Dr. Pisor was married October 4, 1881, to Margaret A. Jordan, a daughter of Henry and Isabella (Orr) Jordan, a native of Lawrence county. Three children are the fruits of this union, as follows: Marshall Orr; John Plummer, and Frank Jordan. Politically, Dr. Pisor is a Democrat, and is a stanch supporter of the principles and measures of his party.

Camdon McKee, of the firm of McKee & Company, merchants and manufacturers, was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, September 11, 1857, son of Josiah and Julia A. (Low) McKee. His father was born in Armstrong county, in 1819, and his mother in Butler county, in 1822. They removed to Ohio in 1887, where they now reside. His maternal grandparents were early settlers of Allegheny township, where the subject of this sketch was reared. On September 23, 1887, he married Loretta Sloan, a daughter of Samuel and Mar-

garet (Irvin) Sloan of Venango township, Butler county, where her family were pioneers. Mrs. McKee died February 21, 1891. The firm of McKee & Company carry on an extensive business in hardware, stoves, agricultural implements, wagons, etc., and also conduct a planing mill at Hilliards. The mill was established by Mr. McKee's father at Six Points, Butler county, in 1870, and removed to Hilliards in 1876. It was carried on by Josiah McKee until 1884, in which year it came into the possession of its present owners.

William K. Partridge, of the firm of McKee & Company, was born in French Creek township, Venango county, February 19, 1853, son of Thomas and Margaret (Kilgore) Partridge, both natives of Mercer county, who located in Venango county about 1843. William K. was reared on a farm, and on May 25, 1882, was married to Ada McKee, a daughter of Josiah and Julia A. McKee. She was born in Allegheny township, Butler county, and is the mother of two children: Mabel, born February 17, 1883, and Fred, April 17, 1885. Mr. Partridge located at Hilliards in 1884, where he formed a partnership with Camdon McKee in the mercantile and manufacturing business, which they have since carried on successfully. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of North Washington.

Ozias M. Patterson, agent of the Pittsburg, Shenango and Lake Erie railroad, at Hilliards, was born in Delaware township, Mercer county, March 18, 1855, son of William C. and Mary (Colton) Patterson, the former a native of Mercer county, and the latter of Erie county. His grandfather, Andrew Patterson, a native of Maryland, located in Mercer county about 1803. His father died in 1886. His maternal grandfather, Luther Colton, a native of New York, first removed to Erie county, and thence to Mercer county at an early day. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and his widow drew a pension as long as she lived. The subject of this sketch was reared upon a farm, but has been connected more or less with railroads since boyhood. He has been an employee on regular station work since 1881, and became agent at Hilliards in March, 1888. Mr. Patterson was married on January 1, 1875, to Lucy Patterson, a daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Hart) Patterson, of Crawford county. Her grandfather was one of the early settlers and owned a part of the land where the town of Sharon now stands. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson have a family of four children, as follows: Blanche; Lloyd L.; Wade W., and Raed J. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics, he is a Republican, and is a member of Eureka Lodge, A. O. U. W., of Grove City.

James Vincent, Sr., a native of Ireland, came to the United States in 1794, and located in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania. While there he married Charity Gilmore, and early in 1796 they removed to Mercer county. Becoming dissatisfied with the locality in which they settled, Mr. Vincent purchased, the same year, a tract of 400 acres in what is now Marion township, Butler county, and early in 1798 he settled upon it with his wife and two sons, Thomas and John. The children born here are as follows: James; Robert; Jane, who married Robert Allen; Mary, who married Alexander Scott; Margaret, who married James Barnes; Gibson; William, and George C. Some time in the twenties he purchased 200 acres of land near Cadiz, Ohio, and gave to Thomas and John,

100 acres each, upon which they settled, but they sold their farms in 1839, and removed to Washington county, Iowa. About the same time Mr. Vincent purchased another 200-acre tract in what is now Slippery Rock township, Butler county, upon which his sons Robert and William located. He built a grist mill there, operated by water power, but in the fall of 1835 it was burned. He soon afterwards rebuilt it and the mill is still standing and in successful operation. Gibson Vincent married Matilda Baird, a daughter of Thomas Baird, of Venango county, owned the larger part of the old homestead, and died there in 1864. His widow is still living on the old place. The youngest son, Rev. George C. Vincent, became a Presbyterian minister, and for nearly fifty years preached the gospel in Ohio, Illinois, Iowa and Pennsylvania. He was also a prominent educator, being a professor in Westminster College at one time, and president of Franklin College fors even years. He was an editorial writer of considerable ability and continued his labors in the ministry until a few months of his death, which occurred at Allegheny, Pennsylvania, October 16, 1889. James Vincent, Sr., died upon the old homestead, March 18, 1847.

James Vincent, son of James and Charity Vincent, was born in Marion township, Butler county, August 11, 1798, and is said to have been the first child born in that part of the county. He resided on part of the old homestead all his life. In early days he served as captain of a militia company, and took an active interest in public affairs. He married Nancy Kerr, a daughter of John Kerr, of Mercer county, who bore him three children: Harriet, who married James Porter; John K., and Charity, wife of Levi Porter. Captain Vincent was a stanch Republican, and was a leading member of the United Presbyterian church. He died on August 10, 1870, aged seventy-two years.

John K. Vincent, only son of James and Nancy Vincent, was born on the old Vincent homestead in Marion township, August 6, 1830, and has spent his entire life thereon. In 1862 he married Martha Baird, a daughter of James Baird, and a grand-daughter of Thomas Baird. Her grandfather was a native of Franklin county, Pennsylvania, a surveyor by profession, and settled in Clinton township, Venango county, in 1796. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent are the parents of three children, viz.: Hattie; William J., and Charles G. They are members of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a Republican, and has served one term as justice of the peace.

William J. Vincent, son of John K. and Martha Vincent, was born on the Vincent homestead, Marion township, January 20, 1866, received a common school education, and has followed farming as an occupation. On October 20, 1887, he married Nannie Snyder, a daughter of Jonathan and Rose (Nutt) Snyder, of Mercer county. Three children are the fruits of this union, viz.: Mary; Wilda, and Rose. Politically, Mr. Vincent is a Republican, and is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

Hugh Murrin, Sr., a native of Londonderry county, Ireland, immigrated to America prior to the Revolution, and served in a New Jersey regiment throughout that struggle for liberty. He was married in New Jersey to Catherine Shaw, and they were the parents of the following children who grew to maturity: James; Joseph; Hugh; John; Philip; George; William; Peter;

Catherine, and Mary. After his marriage he settled in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he resided until 1799, in which year he removed with his family to Butler county, and settled upon a tract of 400 acres in what is now Venango township. His sons, James and Joseph, each took up 200 acres near their father's entry. Mr. Murrin erected a cabin and began the work of making a home in the primitive forest of Butler county. Both he and wife died upon the farm, and were buried in a private graveyard located thereon. They were stanch members of the Catholic church, and erected on their farm, as early as 1805 a small log church building where services were celebrated by the early missionary fathers of western Pennsylvania. In his will he left some money towards the erection of a more commodious church, which was carried into effect at a later day through the efforts of his son John. The lands settled by himself and sons are yet in possession of his descendants.

JOHN MURRIN, fourth son of Hugh and Catherine Murrin, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1787, and was twelve years of age when his parents came to Butler county. He grew to manhood upon the homestead farm, and obtained such an education as the schools of that period afforded, but in after years he acquired through observation and reading a wide knowledge of men and books. After attaining his majority he purchased 200 acres of land adjoining the old homestead, where he established a store about 1830, and conducted that business for some ten years. He also purchased a grist mill, erected saw mills, and was an extensive lumber manufacturer for many years. At his death he owned between 1200 and 1500 acres of land. He also operated a distillery for some years. In 1820 he was appointed by Governor Wolfe a justice of the peace, and served continuously through re-elections to the same office for over forty years. He was widely and intimately known throughout western Pennsylvania as 'Squire John Murrin, and was one of the most prominent men in this section of the State. Politically, he was an ardent Democrat, was a candidate of his party for the legislature, associate judge, etc., and always active in public affairs. He was the founder of the village of Murrinsville, and gave liberally of his means towards the erection of the Catholic church at that point, being one of the leading members of the congregation throughout his life. He married Elizabeth Keating, a daughter of Hugh Keating, of Centre county, and reared a family of eleven children, as follows: Hugh, and William, both deceased; John, of Butler; Francis P., a resident of Ohio; Margaret, deceased wife of William Forquer; Catherine, wife of Patrick McBride; Mary, deceased wife of C. McBride; Julia Ann, who married Alexander Simpson; Matilda, wife of Michael Gormley; Elizabeth, deceased wife of Henry Gormley, and Louisa, wife of J. S. Neeson. 'Squire Murrin died July 19, 1863, his wife having passed away on August 31, 1848. They sleep side by side in the Catholic graveyard at Murrinsville.

HUGH MURRIN, eldest son of John and Elizabeth Murrin, was born in Venango township, Butler county, April 4, 1817, was reared upon the farm, and received a common school education. In early manhood he located in Marion township, upon the farm now owned by his nephew, John Z. Murrin. He later spent four years at Emlenton, where he was engaged in the hotel and mercantile business,

and then returned to his farm in Marion township. In 1866 he removed to Murrinsville, locating on the property now occupied by his children, where he continued farming, and also carried on the hotel business for sixteen years prior to his death, which occurred September 28, 1885. He married Jane Gormley, a daughter of Cornelius and Mary Gormley, of Marion township, to which union were born nine children, as follows: Elizabeth; John F.; Anna, wife of Michael Higgins; Harry; James A.; Josephine L.; Cornelius G.; Catherine, and Matilda. His wife died February 12, 1883. Mr. Murrin was a practical member of the Catholic church, and reared his family in that faith. In politics, he was a Democrat, and in early days was captain of a militia company.

William Murrin, son of John and Elizabeth (Keating) Murrin, was born in Marion township, Butler county, April 10, 1827, and was reared upon his father's farm. In early manhood he conducted a store at Murrinsville in partnership with Patrick McBride, and later was proprietor of the Murrin House, at Franklin, for fifteen years. He then returned to Murrinsville, and was engaged in merchandising from 1874 until 1881, when he located upon his farm in Marion township, and continued to follow agriculture until his death, which occurred December 20, 1887. He married Elizabeth Fielding, a daughter of Zachariah and Rosanna (Carr) Fielding, of Slippery Rock township, Butler county. She became the mother of seven children, viz.: Bessie, wife of Bernard McCrea; John Z.; Rosanna, deceased; William E.; Estella, now Sister M. Norberta, of the order of Sisters of Charity; Maude, and Katherine. Mrs. Murrin is a resident of Franklin, Pennsylvania. She is a member of the Catholic church, in which faith her husband lived and died. Politically, he was a Democrat, and an enterprising, progressive citizen.

John Z. Murrin, eldest son of William and Elizabeth Murrin, was born at Murrinsville, Butler county, October 31, 1858, and was reared in Butler and Venango counties. He received a common school education, and has been engaged in farming in Marion township since 1879. On August 20, 1880, he married Catherine McBride, a daughter of Michael and Grace (Friel) McBride, of Venango township, and has six children, viz.: Marie; Grace; W. Lawrence; John B.; Catherine, and Ella. Mr. Murrin and family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he is a Democrat. After serving four years as justice of the peace of Marion township, he resigned to accept the postmastership at Boyers, to which position he was appointed in July, 1893. He is a descendant of Hugh Murrin, Sr., who came to Butler county nearly one hundred years ago.

John Black was born in Donegal county, Ireland, son of John Black, a native of the same county, where he died in 1783. His grandfather, James Black, born near Letterkenny, Ireland, was a son of James Black, a native of Scotland, who removed to Ireland towards the close of the Seventeenth century. The subject of this sketch came to the United States in 1793, and settled in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he married Jane Criswell, a native of Derry county, Ireland, in 1795. In 1797 they removed to Westmoreland county (now Armstrong), and in 1799 settled in what is now Marion township, Butler county, upon the land where William and Joshua T. Black reside. He subsequently purchased

another farm of 400 acres on the Middle Branch of Slippery Rock creek, where he built a saw mill in 1825 and later a grist mill, the only mill in this section for many years. It was known as Black's mill, and was a familiar landmark in pioneer times. Here he died on October 3, 1832, and his wife, in January, 1864. He was one of the founders of West Unity United Presbyterian church, and a leading Democrat of his day. The children of John and Jane Black are as follows: Martha, who married Robert Breaden; Matthew, who died in 1850; Jane, who married John Kerr; Robert C., who died in 1850; John, who died in Butler, in 1889; James, a resident of San Jose, California; William, who died in 1891; Alexander M., who died in 1834; Rebecca, who married David Vance, and Julia A., who married John Porter. Several of the sons became leading citizens of Butler county, and were prominent factors in its social and material development. During the Rebellion thirteen grandsons of John Black, Sr., served in the Union armies, and four of the number laid down their lives in defence of the flag. No other family in Butler county exhibited a greater devotion to the Union cause than the descendants of this Irish pioneer of Marion township.

Matthew Black, eldest son of John and Jane Black, was born in Marion township, Butler county, in October, 1800, was reared in the old log cabin erected by his father in the primitive forest of Marion township, and received a meager education in the pioneer schools of that period. He made farming his life vocation, and owned a portion of the original tract entered by his father, to which he added thirty-three acres, owning at his death a farm of 110 acres of well improved land. He died on June 8, 1850, in his fiftieth year. Mr. Black was twice married. His first wife was Eliza Curry, of Marion township, who bore him three children, viz.: John A., deceased; James C., a resident of Iowa, who served in the Thirty-fifth Illinois Volunteers, in the Rebellion, and Matthew I., deceased. His second wife was Charlotte Tinker, a daughter of Joshua Tinker, of Cherry township, but a native of England. Six children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Uriah J., who enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and died in the service; Jarvis W., deceased; Abigail, wife of W. F. Maxwell, of Kansas; Robert W.; Silas T., deceased, and Joshua T. Mr. Black was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, was a supporter of the Whig party.

Joshua T. Black, youngest son of Matthew and Charlotte Black, was born upon the homestead farm in Marion township, March 17, 1845. He was educated in the common schools, and soon after attaining his majority he purchased the old homestead, upon which he has resided since his birth. On July 24, 1873, he married Annetta M. Byers, a daughter of Resa and Ellen (Patterson) Byers, of Waterloo, Venango county. They are the parents of four children, viz.: Ira E.; Frank B.; Alda M., and Charles E. Mr. Black is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he is a Republican. He is now serving his second term as justice of the peace, and is recognized as one of the representative citizens of his community.

James Black, fourth son of John and Jane (Criswell) Black, was born in Marion township, Butler county, August 31, 1808, and was reared upon the old

homestead. He learned the cabinet-maker's trade and followed that business in connection with farming until 1865. Removing to Franklin in that year he engaged in the furniture and carpenter business, which he followed until September, 1874, and then removed to San Jose, California, where he now resides at the ripe old age of eighty-six years. During his residence in Butler county he took a deep interest in educational matters, and was a director in the public schools for several years. He has been an elder in the United Presbyterian church since arriving at the age of twenty-five, and a liberal supporter of that organization. In politics, he was originally a Democrat, but afterwards united with the Republican party. Mr. Black married Nancy A., daughter of David Russell of Marion township, Butler county, June 20, 1833, to whom were born the following children: John C., a lawyer, residing in San Jose, California; David A., a farmer of Santa Clara county, California; William M., a resident of Illinois, who served in Company K, Seventeenth Indiana Volunteers, from June, 1861, to July, 1865; James H., of Leavenworth, Kansas, who served in Company H., Seventeenth Illinois Volunteers; Isaiah, of Franklin, Pennsylvania, who was fife major in the Sixteenth Illinois Volunteers; Newton, attorney at law, Butler; Josiah B., an oil producer of Butler; Perry N., of Bradford, Pennsylvania; Jennie M., who died March 3, 1893; Lysander, a physician of Butler, and Alfred P., assistant district attorney of San Francisco, California.

Robert Seaton was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, of Irish parentage, in 1763, and came to Butler county in 1800. He settled in what is now Marion township, and at once set to work and erected a log cabin, in which his daughter, Eliza, was born the fourth day after the family arrived at their destination. Mr. Seaton was a millwright, and built nearly all the mills in this section of the country in his day, furnishing the lumber for the same, in payment of which he received a certain share of the profits of each mill for seven years. About 1815 he built a fulling mill on the South Branch of Slippery Rock creek, and subsequently a tannery. These he carried on until his death, in 1852. He married Mary Davis, of Huntingdon county, and their children were as follows: Polly, who married Robert Shaw; Alexander; Eliza, who married Stephen Vanderlin; Ann, who married Robert Hutchison; Margaret; Thomas; Robert; William; James, and John.

Alexander Seaton, eldest son of Robert and Mary Seaton, was born in Huntingdon county, in 1790, and came to Butler county with his parents when about ten years old. On attaining his majority he purchased a farm on the line of what is now Mercer and Marion townships, his residence being in the former. He was a millwright and farmer, and erected a saw, grist and cloth mill, which he operated for many years. Mr. Seaton married Isabella Donaldson, a daughter of Andrew Donaldson, and reared a family of eight children, viz.: Margaret, who married James Bailey; Robert F.; Andrew; Mary A., who married John Buchanan; John; Thomas; William A., and Abner. Mr. Seaton was a member of the United Presbyterian church. In politics, he was a Democrat, and held the office of justice of the peace many years.

ROBERT F. SEATON, eldest son of Alexander Seaton, was born upon the Seaton homestead in Marion township, in 1821. He learned the stonemason's trade and subsequently engaged in farming. He married Mary, a daughter of Alexander McMurray, and their children were as follows: Samuel M.; Eva J., wife of John Ray; Matilda, deceased; Samantha; Seretta, wife of John Murrin, and Scott A.

WILLIAM A. SEATON, fifth son of Alexander and Isabella Seaton, was born in Mercer township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1831, was reared on the homestead farm, and acquired a common school education. When eighteen years of age he began learning the blacksmith's trade with James McDowell, of Harrisville, Butler county, and served an apprenticeship of two years, for which he received fifty dollars in store goods. He next worked one year at Clintonville, Venango county, for which he was paid seventy-five dollars. In 1851–52 he followed lumbering at Irwinsburg, on the Conowango river, and in the spring of 1853 he located at Mercer, Pennsylvania, where he worked at his trade until the summer of 1854. He then entered Westminster College, at New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, where he spent the fall term of 1854, and the winter and summer term of 1855. In the fall of the latter year he went to California and worked at his trade in the mining region until the spring of 1857. He then purchased a claim and embarked in mining, which he followed two years. In the spring of 1859 he sold his claim and engaged in farming in Feather river valley, which he continued until April, 1861, and then started for his old home in Butler county, where he arrived in safety. On September 16, 1861, Mr. Seaton enlisted in Company L, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and participated with his command in the Seven Days Fight before Richmond, Gaines Hill, Mechanicsville, Glendale, Malvern Hill, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Shepherdstown, and many other engagements, and was honorably discharged September 17, 1864. After his return from the army, he worked at his trade in Grove City for eight years, and then purchased his present farm, upon which he has since resided. Mr. Seaton married Ann E., a daughter of Robert Hutchison, of Marion township, August 6, 1863, and has two daughters: Anna B., and Ella M. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, also of the G. A. R., and is a man of upright character and strict integrity.

SAMUEL M. SEATON, eldest son of Robert F. and Mary Seaton, was born March 9, 1847, on the Seaton homestead in Marion township. He received a common school education, and was reared upon his father's farm. In 1864 he enlisted in Company G, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served with his regiment until the battle of Amelia Springs, where he was taken prisoner and held until the surrender of Lee. When the war closed he returned to his home and engaged in the lumber business, but subsequently located upon the homestead, where he remained engaged in farming until 1888. In that year he removed to his father-in-law's farm, but in 1892 settled upon his present farm in Marion township, which he had purchased some years previous. In 1893 Mr. Seaton was elected, on the Republican ticket, prothonotary of Butler county, and began his official duties in January, 1894. He has been always an active participant in local politics, and has filled the offices of collector and secretary of the school board

of Marion township. He was married in 1872, to Juliann, a daughter of William Black, of Marion township. Five children have been born of this marriage, as follows: Cora B.; Tillie; Robert W., and two that died in infancy. Both he and wife are members of West Unity United Presbyterian church, in which he fills the office of elder. He is a member of Z. C. McQuillen Post, G. A. R., and Mylert Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Centreville.

William Seaton, son of Robert Seaton, was born in Butler county, in February, 1804. He was reared on the old Seaton homestead, and resided there until his death, in 1886. He married Rebecca Vanderlin, a daughter of John Vanderlin, of Venango township, to whom were born the following children: Kate; Margaret, who married Thomas Hovis; Caroline, who married James Jack; John; William G.; Hettie, who married Stephen Cooper; Amos; Elias, and Lewis.

Amos Seaton, third son of William and Rebecca Seaton, was born in Venango township, Butler county, August 23, 1838. He was educated in the common schools, and learned the blacksmith trade, which he followed four years. In May, 1861, he enlisted in Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserve, and participated in the first battles before Richmond, Malvern Hill, Charles City Cross Roads, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, and other engagements, and was wounded in the battle of Charles City Cross Roads. He was honorably discharged on June 20, 1864, and re-enlisted on August 24, following, in Company D, Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was mustered out of service June 20, 1865, and returned to his home, where he resumed his life upon the farm. He has devoted his entire attention to agriculture, with the exception of four years residence in Butler. Mr. Seaton married Mary Laughlin, a daughter of Samuel Laughlin, of Marion township, who has borne him seven children, viz.: Hettie; Delphine; Ada; Ersie; Fannie; Homer, and Darley M. Politically, Mr. Seaton is a Republican, and has served one term as treasurer of Butler county. He is a member of the G. A. R., and the U. V. L., and is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Alexander Mortland, a native of Ireland, came from Juniata county, Pennsylvania, to what is now Marion township, Butler county, in 1806. He settled on a farm near the site of Murrinsville, which he continued to clear and improve until his death, in 1818. He was twice married, his first wife bearing him a family of six children, viz.: John, who served in the War of 1812; William; James; Ann, who married Hugh Orlton; Mary, who married John Snyder, and Sally, who became the wife of William White. Mr. Mortland was a Democrat, in politics, and a Presbyterian, in religious faith.

William Mortland, son of Alexander Mortland, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1796, and was ten years of age when his parents came to Butler county. On attaining his majority, he settled on the farm now occupied by his son Newton, in Marion township, cleared and improved it, and resided there the balance of his days, dying March 19, 1856. He married Tamar Orlton, a daughter of John Orlton, of Marion township, to whom were born four children, viz.: Harvey; Newton; Jerusha, wife of W. H. Gilchrist, and Alvin. Mr. Mortland was a member of the Presbyterian church, was a Demo-

crat in politics, and held various township offices during his residence in this county.

Newton Mortland was born in what is now Marion township, Butler county, December 24, 1835, son of William and Tamar Mortland. He was reared in his native township, received a common school education, and has made farming his life vocation, succeeding to the old homestead at his father's death. On November 12, 1857, he married Ellen Gilmer, a daughter of John and Margaret (Kilgore) Gilmer, of Marion township, and has five children, viz.: Sarah E.; Maggie A.; William H.; John G., and James C. Mr. Mortland is a veteran of the late war. He enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, August 13, 1862, and participated in the battles of South Mountain, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville, assisted in burying the dead at Antietam, and was honorably discharged after nine months' service. On March 31, 1864, he re-enlisted as a veteran volunteer in Company F, Second Pennsylvania Artillery, and was engaged in the battles of the Wilderness, North Anna, and Cold Harbor. At the last mentioned engagement, June 2, 1864, he was taken prisoner. After eight days spent in Libby prison, he was transferred to Andersonville, where he remained four months. He was then sent to Savannah, Georgia, soon afterwards to Millen, same State, and after six weeks at that point, with many other sick and wounded, he was brought back to Savannah, was there paroled and sent to the hospital at Annapolis, Maryland. In December, 1864, he was sent home on furlough, rejoined his regiment on June 2, 1865, at Petersburg, and on July 14, following, was honorably discharged. Mr. Mortland is a member of the G. A. R. Politically, he is a stanch Democrat, and has held most of the local offices in Marion township, being at present justice of the peace.

George Ray, Sr., was born in Fairview township, Butler county, in 1802, and in 1810 removed to what is now Marion township, where he found a home with his uncle, George Ward, at that period one of the largest land-holders in the township. He was reared by his uncle, and spent seventy-four years of his life on the Ward homestead, a large portion of which he owned at the time of his death. He was recognized as one of the leading farmers of the township. He married Elizabeth Gilmore, a daughter of Hugh Gilmore, a native of Ireland, who settled in what is now Marion township in 1796. To this union were born eight children, all of whom grew to maturity, viz.: William, deceased; Mrs. James Buchanan; Hugh; Mrs. J. S. Neely; John; Jane, who married William Johnson; Isabel, who became the wife of J. E. Miller, and George. Mr. Ray died in 1884, at the age of eighty-two.

George Ray, youngest son of George and Elizabeth Ray, was born on the homestead farm in Marion township, February 15, 1850. He was reared and educated in his native township, and has made farming his life vocation. He married Cynthia McCoy, a daughter of James M. McCoy, of Pine township, Mercer county, and has four children: Mame R.; Ettie G.; Laura B., and George N. Mr. Ray is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a supporter of the Democratic party. He resides upon the old homestead, and is one of the progressive farmers of the community.

Robert Atwell, a native of Ireland, came to Pennsylvania towards the close of the Eighteenth century, and settled in what is now Scrubgrass township, Venango county, prior to 1800. By survey of October 24, 1801, he became the owner of 190 acres of land, by virtue of settlement and improvement. About 1816 he removed to Marion township, Butler county, where he cleared and improved a farm, on which he resided down to his death, in 1840. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and a man of quiet manners and unobtrusive character. He was a member of the Associate Reformed church, known at that time as the Seceder church. Mr. Atwell was twice married. His first wife was Mary Dixon, who bore him one son, Dixon. His second wife was Margaret Russell, to whom were born seven children, as follows: Ellen, who married William Brandon; William; George; John; James; Robert, and Mary, who became the wife of Alexander Watt.

George Atwell, second son of Robert and Margaret Atwell, was born in Venango county, in 1808, and removed with his parents to Marion township, Butler county, where he grew to manhood and resided until his death, in 1877. He married Mary McKissick, a daughter of David McKissick, a pioneer of Mercer township, Butler county, to which union were born eleven children, viz.: Sarah, who married William Vogus; Margaret, who married Robert Donaldson; Nancy, who became the wife of Samuel Vanderlin; David M.; Julia A., who married Samuel Eakin; Maria, who married John Kimes; Thomas J.; John; Mary E., who married Samuel Kramer; Elizabeth, and Jane, who married Martin Hoffman. Mr. Atwell was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and died in that faith.

David M. Atwell, eldest son of George and Mary Atwell, was born in Marion township, Butler county, December 8, 1837, received a common school education, and was reared upon the farm. He learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed as an occupation for twenty-five years, a portion of the time in the various oil fields of Pennsylvania, where he also operated as a producer to some extent. He has been a resident of Marion township since 1874, where he owns and occupies what is known as the James Black homestead, and devotes his attention to farming. In September, 1869, he married Nannie Daubenspeck, a daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Hoover) Daubenspeck, of Washington township, Butler county. Nine children have been born to this union, as follows: Harry P.; Catherine, wife of A. P. Painter; Jacob C.; George C.; Samuel S.; David F.; Mary M.; Margaret M., and Olive N. Mr. Atwell is one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of the community, and has an extensive acquaintance throughout the oil region. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religion, is an adherent of the United Presbyterian church.

Alexander Porter was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, about 1761, a son of Samuel Porter, a native of Ireland, whose father was born in Scotland, and whose grandfather was a native of Holland, from which country he was driven on account of religious persecution. Alexander had five brothers who were soldiers in the Revolution, three of whom never returned. He settled in Clinton township, Venango county, in 1794, and was the first blacksmith in that locality, carrying on his trade under great difficulties. It is related that an

iron wedge driven into a stump did service as an anvil, a piece of an old axe was used as a hammer, and the bark of trees utilized for fuel. Iron was brought from the furnaces in Huntingdon county, on pack-horses, through the trackless forests. Mr. Porter settled on 400 acres of land, where his grandsons, Samuel and Thomas V. Porter, now reside, which has been the property of the family for over 100 years. He carried on his trade in connection with farming, and died September 26, 1847. His widow survived him until 1850, and both are buried on the old homestead. Her maiden name was Margaret Braden, and she was the mother of twelve children, viz.: Joseph; Mary; Elizabeth; Isabel, who married William Coulter; Nancy, who married William Osborn; James; Annabel, who married James Kerr; Samuel; John, whose first wife was Juliann Black, and second wife Rachel Barr; Margaret, who married Benjamin Yard; Lucy, and Alexander, whose first wife was Margaret McKinley, and second wife Levina Mitchell.

James Porter, second son of Alexander and Margaret Porter, was born in Clinton township, Venango county, December 21, 1801, and resided upon the old homestead until 1828. In that year he purchased a farm in Marion township, Butler county, now occupied by his son Levi, where he lived until 1857, when he purchased the old homestead in Venango county, upon which he resided down to his death. While a resident of Butler county, he filled the office of justice of the peace. He was an ardent supporter of the temperance cause, and quite prominent in temperance circles. He was twice married; first to Sibellah, a daughter of Patrick Coulter, of Clinton township, Venango county, who died, leaving two sons, Levi, and James C. His second wife was Harriet Vincent, a daughter of James Vincent, of Marion township, Butler county, who bore him two sons, Samuel and Thomas V. Mr. Porter died on June 18, 1887, in his eighty-sixth year.

Levi Porter, eldest son of James and Sibellah Porter, was born upon his present homestead in Marion township, Butler county, July 11, 1829, where nearly all his life has been spent. He received a good common school education, and is a surveyor by profession, which he has followed for many years in connection with farming. His farm was purchased by his father in 1828, and was originally settled by Edward Canaan, about 1799. He erected a water-power sash saw mill on his place in 1852, and built his present frame residence in 1877. On November 20, 1882, his barn, built in 1839, was burned, with horses, etc., the loss amounting to $2,300. He rebuilt it in 1883. Mr. Porter enlisted in Company K, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, September 13, 1864, and participated in the Seven Days Fight before Richmond, the battles of Antietam, South Mountain, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Trevellian Station, Haws Shop, Hanover Court House, St. Mary's Church, Petersburg, and many other engagements, and was honorably discharged from the service, October 18, 1864. Being refused re-enlistment on account of disability, he returned home and resumed farming and surveying. On November 4, 1869, he married Charity Vincent, a daughter of James and Nancy (Kerr) Vincent, of Marion township. Mr. Porter and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and stanch advocates of prohibition principles.

JOSEPH PORTER, eldest son of Alexander and Margaret Porter, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1792, and removed with his parents to Clinton township, Venango county, when two years old. He there grew to manhood, and in 1817 married Martha VanDyke, a daughter of John VanDyke, of Marion township, Butler county. The following year they located in Cherry township, where he cleared and improved the farm now occupied by his son Alexander, and resided thereon the remainder of his life. To Joseph and Martha Porter were born the following children: Lucy, who married Robert Seaton; John; Isabel, who married Cyrus Kerr; Braden; Polly, who married Abner McCallen; Martha, who married David Dunn; Sarah, who became the wife of Robert Sankey, and Alexander. Mr. Porter was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died February 25, 1886, in his ninety-fourth year. He was always known as a most worthy citizen, strictly honorable in all his dealings, and was never sued or brought a suit during his long and eventful life. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he was a Republican.

JOHN PORTER, eldest son of Joseph and Martha Porter, was born on the homestead in Cherry township, Butler county, February 13, 1823. He received a common school education, and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for several years. In June, 1852, he settled in Marion township, on the farm where he now resides, on which he has made all the improvements. Mr. Porter was married October 21, 1847, to Martha C. Turner, a daughter of William and Mollie (McCandless) Turner, of Parker township, who has had a family of eleven children, six of whom are living, viz.: Mary A.; Maggie I., wife of John H. Crawford; Jennie J., wife of Abner Buchanan; Joseph T.; Ada E., wife of Martin McGill, and Laura H., wife of Lewis Sankey. Mr. Porter is a member of the Presbyterian church, is an ardent advocate of prohibition, and votes the Republican ticket. He served in the Union army ten months during the Civil war.

JOSEPH T. PORTER, only son of John and Martha C. Porter, was born in Marion township, Butler county, February 2, 1859, was reared on the old homestead, and was educated in the common schools and at Grove City College. He was married September 24, 1884, to Melda E. Carson, a daughter of William and Prudence (Calvin) Carson, of Marion township, and has four children, viz.: James C.; John R.; Grace M. P., and William H. Mr. Porter has always followed agricultural pursuits, and resides upon the farm where he was born. Politically, he is a Republican, an advocate of prohibition, and is a member of the Presbyterian church.

JAMES MILFORD was born in Antrim county, Ireland, and immigrated to the United States in 1807. After a varied career he located in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, removed to Clay township, Butler county, about 1824, and in 1827 settled in Marion township, on the farm now owned by his son Samuel F. He cleared and improved this property, and resided upon it until his death, in 1859, aged about seventy years. He married Martha Findley, a daughter of Judge Samuel Findley, a pioneer of Butler county, and one of its first associate judges. Four children were born to this union, viz.: Mary J., who married J. J. Dunn; Samuel F.; James, and David. Mr. Milford was a member of the

Associate Reformed church, afterwards the United Presbyterian, and in politics, he was a Republican. He was one of the honored and respected citizens of the community during his residence therein.

Samuel F. Milford, eldest son of James and Martha Milford, was born in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, July 11, 1822, came with his parents to Butler county, and has lived in Marion township since 1827. He assisted in clearing and improving the old homestead, which he inherited upon the death of his father, and has always resided upon this farm. Mr. Milford enlisted in Company H, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, September 20, 1864, and served until honorably discharged, June 2, 1865. In 1873 he married Mrs. Margaret Rea, a daughter of John and Margaret (Scott) Morton, of Antrim county, Ireland. Both he and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and politically, he is a Republican. Mr. Milford is a successful farmer, and is one of the progressive citizens of the township.

Joseph Kerr was a native of eastern Pennsylvania, a son of John Kerr, grandson of Thomas Kerr, Jr., and a great grandson of Thomas Kerr, Sr., who was born in Ireland in 1721, and came to America about the middle of the last century. In early life Joseph Kerr removed to Ashtabula county, Ohio, served in the War of 1812 from that county, and soon afterwards settled in Venango township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He cleared and improved a farm, upon which he resided down to his death. His wife was Margaret Braden, to whom were born the following children: James; Thomas; John; Zachariah; Joseph; Harvey; Lucy, who married Samuel Briggs; Amanda, who married Calvin Graham, and Eliza.

John Kerr, third son of Joseph and Margaret Kerr, was born in Ashtabula county, Ohio, February 21, 1805, and removed to Venango township, Butler county, with his parents after the close of the War of 1812. He grew to manhood in this township, and soon after his marriage, in 1834, he settled in Marion township, where he cleared and improved the farm now owned and occupied by his sons, Joseph, James H., and William. He died upon this farm on March 21, 1872. He married Jane Black, a daughter of John and Jane (Criswell) Black, of Marion township, who bore him a family of eight children, viz.: Joseph; Alexander P.; Nancy J., who married James Vanderlin; John B.; James H.; Rebecca A., who married Samuel McMurray; William, and Carlisle, deceased. Mr. Kerr was a member of the Presbyterian church. In politics, he was a Democrat, and served three terms as justice of the peace in Marion township.

James H. Kerr, fourth son of John and Jane Kerr, was born in Marion township, Butler county, on the farm where he now resides, January 12, 1836. He received a limited education in the common schools of his district, and has followed farming as an occupation since childhood. He has always resided on the old homestead, a portion of which he now owns and occupies. In July, 1863, he married Eliza J. Vanderlin, a daughter of Stephen and Eliza (Seaton) Vanderlin, of Venango township, Butler county. Eleven children have been the fruits of this union, viz.: Lodusky J., wife of Marion Kohlmeyer; Ida; Ella; Louisa; Stephen; Nannie; James; Maud; John A.; Samuel A., and Lottie.

Mr. Kerr is one of the leading farmers of Marion township, is a Democrat, in politics, and has filled the offices of assessor and school director.

William Kerr, fifth son of John and Jane Kerr, and grandson of Joseph Kerr, was born in Marion township, Butler county, October 9, 1840, and was reared on the homestead farm, on a portion of which he now resides. He received a common school education, and learned the plasterer's trade, which he followed for fifteen years, having also been engaged in farming more or less for the past twenty-five years. In 1864 he married Matilda Vanderlin, a daughter of Stephen and Eliza (Seaton(Vanderlin, of Venango township, Butler county. They are the parents of six children, named as follows: Eli V.; William F.; Lida J.; Etta M.; Lewis B., and Hulbert S. Politically, Mr. Kerr is a stanch Democrat.

Cornelius Gormley, a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, came to Philadelphia in 1840, and settled in Marion township, Butler county, the same year, locating on the farm now owned by his son Cornelius, where he resided down to his death. He married Mary McCullough, who bore him ten children, viz.: James; Patrick; Kate, who married Michael Conway; Sally, who married Hugh McCollough; Henry; Michael; Mary; Jane, who married Hugh Murrin; Cornelius, and Francis. Mr. Gormley and wife were members of the Catholic church, to which denomination the family also belong.

Michael Gormley, fourth son of Cornelius and Mary Gormley, was borne in Tyrone county, Ireland, in 1827, and came to Butler county, Pennsylvania, with his parents in 1840. After attaining his majority he engaged in farming in Venango county, and later was proprietor of a hotel in Franklin, Pennsylvania, for three years. For over thirty years he has been engaged in farming in Venango township, Butler county, and cleared a part of the farm whereon he now resides. He married Matilda Murrin, a daughter of Squire John Murrin, of Venango township, of which union ten children survive, viz.: John H.; James; Mary L., wife of Michael McBride; Michael; William; Elizabeth; Francis; Kate; Birtilla, and Charles. Mr. Gormley and family are members of the Catholic church, and in politics, he is a stanch Democrat.

John H. Gormley, eldest son of Michael and Matilda Gormley, was born in Venango county, Pennsylvania, March 27, 1850. He was reared upon the homestead farm, received a common school education, and was engaged in farming until thirty years of age. In 1880 he embarked in merchandising at Murrinsville, in which he has since successfully continued. In February, 1875, he married Catherine McBride, a daughter of Patrick and Catherine (Friel) McBride, of Venango township, Butler county, and has four children, viz.: Matilda M.; John A.; Patrick M, and Mary G. Mr. Gormley and family are members of the Catholic church. He is one of the influential citizens of Marion township, is a stanch Democrat, and has been postmaster of Murrinsville since 1893.

John Walter was born in Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, eldest son of John Walter, a native of Germany. His father and uncle Peter settled in Irwin township, Venango county, about 1800, where the former resided down to his death. His children were as follows: John; Peter: Jacob, and Philip. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native township, and

followed milling in connection with farming. He married Elizabeth Walter, a daughter of Peter Walter, of Venango county, to whom were born eight children, viz.: David; Craft; John; Peter; Mary A., who married David Ayers; Ann, who married Jacob Hoffman; Ellen, who married Michael McFadden, and Sarah C., wife of Ghost Hoffman. Mr. Walter died at the age of sixty-two years.

Craft Walter, son of John and Elizabeth Walter, was born in Irwin township, Venango county, April 9, 1826, and was there reared to manhood. He received a limited education in the public schools, and has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1848 he located upon his present homestead in Marion township, Butler county, most of which he has cleared and improved. Mr. Walter has been twice married, first to Martha McMurdy, a daughter of George McMurdy, of Irwin township, Venango county, who bore him two children: Melissa, wife of John Kimes, and Martha, wife of Craft Hoffman. His second wife was Lucy A. Gilmore, a daughter of John Gilmore, of Irwin township, to whom have been born the following children: Carlisle; John G.; Louisa, wife of James McFadden; William J.; Emma; James, and Alice. Mr. Walter is a member of the Church of God, and in politics, he is a Democrat. He has held the offices of constable and collector, and is one of the substantial farmers of his township.

John McFadden was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1799, and was a son of Edward McFadden, a native of Ireland, who located in that county in 1797, whence he removed to Irwin township, Venango county, in 1803. He subsequently removed to Somerset, Perry county, Ohio, where he resided until his death. His children were: William; John; Michael; Charles; Sarah, who married George Green; Anna, who married Ed Megargil, and Mary, who married George Sheffler. John was reared in Venango county, Pennsylvania, and Perry county, Ohio. From thirteen years of age he lived in Irwin township, Venango county. He was a natural mechanic, and followed the trades of a carpenter and a millwright. It is said he built nearly all the blasts for furnaces, and the saw and grist mills in his locality. He owned a farm of 160 acres of land in Irwin township, which he cleared and improved, and there died in 1881. His wife was Barbara Hoffman, born in 1801, a daughter of James Hoffman, of Clinton township, Venango county, who bore him twelve children, as follows: James; Sarah, who married John Layton; Michael; John; Daniel; Mary A., wife of A. J. Morrow; Philip G.; Perry; Margery, wife of James Farren; Jacob; Carlisle, and Barbara. Mr. McFadden was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, a Democrat.

Carlisle McFadden, youngest son of John and Barbara McFadden, was born in Irwin township, Venango county, April 10, 1841, and received a common school education. He learned the wagonmaker's trade, which he followed ten years, but since 1871 he has been engaged in farming, in Marion township, on the farm where he now resides. In June, 1864, he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Ohio Volunteers, and was honorably discharged on March 17, 1865. In 1870 Mr. McFadden married Elizabeth Farren, a daughter of William Farren, of Marion township, and has three children: Sarah J., wife of E. Sutherland; Lafayette T., and Anna D. Politically, he is

a Democrat, is a member of the G. A. R., and is an adherent of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Patrick McDowell was born upon his father's farm in Venango county, Pennsylvania, and is a son of Patrick McDowell, a native of County Down, Ireland, who immigrated to America in 1768, and served in the Continental army five years. Patrick, Sr., married a Miss Turner, and at an early day settled on a tract of 400 acres of land in Venango county, upon which he died in 1828, aged seventy-six years. He reared a large family, all of whom are dead except the subject of this sketch. When sixteen years of age, Patrick, Jr., went to Mercer county, there learned the blacksmith's trade, and followed that occupation for a period of forty years. After a short time spent in the oil fields of Armstrong county, he settled in Venango township, Butler county, where he is now living in the eighty-first year of his age. He was twice married; first to Lucinda, a daughter of Daniel Waldron, of Mercer county, who bore him two children, one of whom is living, Patrick. Mr. McDowell's second wife was Susan Beach, a daughter of Stephen W. Beach, of Venango county, to whom were born three children. Of these, Cynthia married Jacob Kellerman and died in 1892, and John resides in Marion township.

John McDowell, son of Patrick and Susan McDowell, was born in Centretown, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, April 1, 1847, received a common school education, and served an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, which business he followed about fifteen years. He then engaged in farming in Marion township, Butler county, where he has resided since 1874. During this period he was also an oil producer in the Armstrong, Clarion and Bradford oil fields. He married, on September 9, 1873, Lena, a daughter of Ernest Slicker, of Clarion county, and has five children, viz.: Susan; Henry; Charley; Minnie, and Ernest. Mr. McDowell is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, also of the Epworth League. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of the school board, and an enterprising and respected citizen of his township.

Robert L. Barnes, son of John and Sarah (McCune) Barnes, was born in Mercer township, Butler county, November 13, 1845, was reared on the homestead farm, and received a common school education. He lived in Mercer township until 1884, then removed to Allegheny township, and in 1892 located on his present home in Marion township. For twenty years Mr. Barnes has been engaged in the oil industry, as a producer, driller and contractor, first at Pithole, Venango county, then at Petersburg, Clarion county, and Byrom Centre, and is now operating in the Washington township field. During this period he has also been engaged more or less in farming. Mr. Barnes was married May 9, 1867, to Lucy E. McCoy, a daughter of Thomas McCoy, of Pine township, Mercer county, who bore him three children: Thomas E.; Minnie M., and Sarah H. His second marriage occurred January 1, 1879, to Etta Richmond, a daughter of Isaac Richmond, of Pine township, to whom has been born one son, Charles R. Mr. Barnes is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

Thomas Jolly, Sr., came from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, to Venango township, Butler county, in 1796, purchased a tract of land, erected a

log cabin, and brought his family to his new home in the spring of 1797. His purchase was the farm now owned by his grandson, Thomas Jolly. He cleared a part of this tract, set out an orchard soon after his coming, and resided here until his death, May 25, 1841, aged eighty-five years. He married Betsey Mitchell, who bore him the following children: David; John; James; Thomas; Jane, who married Patrick Layton, and Mrs. Betsey McDowell. Mrs. Jolly died on May 10, 1840, at the age of eighty-six.

Capt. Thomas Jolly, son of Thomas and Betsey Jolly, was born in Westmoreland county, February 19, 1793, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1797. He was reared upon the homestead farm in Venango township, and resided upon the same until his death, which occurred December 1, 1885, at the ripe age of ninety-three years. Captain Jolly was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was afterwards a captain of a militia company for twenty-one years. During early manhood he devoted considerable attention to hunting, and he estimated that his father, himself and brothers, killed over 100 bears in the vicinity of his home during pioneer days. He married Rebecca Jolly, a daughter of Samuel Jolly, of Venango county, on December 27, 1824. Four children were the fruits of this union, as follows: Samuel; Sarah, who married Samuel McGinnis; Jane, who married Eli Williams, and Thomas. Captain Jolly and wife were members of the Presbyterian church, and throughout his life he was an ardent supporter of the Democratic party.

Thomas Jolly, Jr., son of Capt. Thomas and Rebecca Jolly, was born on the Jolly homestead in Venango township, Butler county, October 30, 1839. His entire life has been spent upon this farm, and he obtained in the common schools a good English education. On October 27, 1859, he married Marilda A. Russell, a daughter of David and Sarah (Searles) Russell, of Venango county, to which union have been born seven children, viz.: S. Calvin, who married Mina Ruppert; Simeon, deceased; D. Theodore; Sarah E.; John E., deceased; Charles O., and Oliver P. Mr. Jolly and wife are members of the Seceder church, and like his father, he has always been a Democrat. He is one of the enterprising and progressive farmers of the county, a man of broad views and liberal opinions.

John Vanderlin was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1760, and was a son of Nicholas Vanderlin, a native of Holland, who served under Washington in the French and Indian War, and was present with General Forbes in 1758, in the second expedition against Fort Duquense, Washington leading the Virginia forces. John Vanderlin was a soldier in the Revolution, and was serving under Washington during the dark days of Valley Forge. He came with his father to what is now Venango township, Butler county, in 1799, where they settled and purchased together 540 acres of land, which he improved into a fine farm, now valuable for its oil production. Here his father died in 1817, at a rige old age. He was interred upon the old Vanderlin farm, which is now the property of Robert Vanderlin. John Vanderlin married Elizabeth Kimes, in Chester county, and their children are as follows: Stephen; Elizabeth, who married Philip Stoops; Mary, who married James Mortland; Margaret, who married Thomas Hutchison; Rebecca, who married William Seaton; Nancy, who became the wife of John McCauslin; Hannah, who married John Hutchison;

Harriet, who died unmarried, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Vanderlin was a Democrat in politics, and was a commissioner of Butler county in 1833. He was noted for his strong determination, courage and wit, and died in 1856, aged ninety-six years.

Stephen Vanderlin, only son of John Vanderlin, was born in Penn's valley, Centre county, Pennsylvania, in 1796, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1799. Here he grew to manhood in the backwoods, and spent his entire life in agricultural pursuits. He married Eliza, daughter of Robert Seaton, and they were the parents of ten children: John; Robert; James; William, deceased; Samuel; Eli; Joseph C.; Eliza J., wife of James Kerr; George S., and Margaret M., wife of William Kerr. Politically, Mr. Vanderlin was a life-long Democrat, a good citizen and an honest man. He died in 1886, in his ninetieth year. His wife died in 1883.

John Wilson was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, a son of William and Jane Wilson, the former a native of Scotland, and his wife of Ireland. They were among the pioneers of Adams county, and lived and died there,being life-long members of Brush Creek Presbyterian church, near Gettysburg. John Wilson was reared to manhood in that county, afterwards located in Washington county, where he married Nancy Conn, and then removed to Venango township, Butler county, where his three eldest children were born. He returned to Washington county, remained there for several years, and in 1818 again settled in Butler county, first in Venango township, and afterwards in Washington township. Later in life he took up his residence in Venango township again, and spent his remaining years in that subdivision. He was the father of nine children, as follows: William; Robert; Margaret, wife of Samuel Hilliard; Jane, who married Robert Cochran; Joseph; Mary, who married Joshua Griffin; Miriam, who married Thomas Kelly; Richard, and John, all of whom are dead but Richard, a resident of Clintonville, Venango county. Mr. Wilson was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Joseph Wilson, third son of John and Nancy Wilson, was a native of Washington county, and came with his parents to Butler county in 1818. In 1837 he settled on a farm in Venango township, now occupied by his sons Robert C. and Adam C., the larger portion of which he cleared and improved, residing there until his death. He married Eliza Curry, a daughter of Adam Curry, one of the pioneers of Venango township. Of this marriage seven children grew to maturity, as follows: Mary J., who married Robert L. Black; Robert C.; Margaret A.; Nancy C., wife of James S. Martin; Adam C.; John G., and Eliza C. Though not a member of any church, Mr. Wilson was a liberal supporter of religion. He died in 1868.

Adam C. Wilson, second son of Joseph and Eliza Wilson, was born on the old homestead in Venango township, Butler county, May 5, 1842. He received a common school education, such as the schools of his period afforded. He was reared a farmer, and has always resided upon a portion of the old homestead. Mr. Wilson was married June 10, 1875, to Sarah, a daughter of Gilbert and Jane (Dickson) Christy, of Cherry township, and has five children, viz.: Mary; Margaret J.; Gilbert C.; Joseph McN., and Rhoda. Mr. Wilson is a

member of the Associate Presbyterian church; in politics, he is a Democrat, and has held the office of justice of the peace for fourteen years.

ROBERT C. WILSON, eldest son of Joseph and Eliza (Curry) Wilson, was born in Washington township, Butler county, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1836. He was reared in Venango township, and received a limited education in the common schools. With the exception of two years spent in the mercantile business at Farmington, he has followed agricultural pursuits, and now owns and occupies a part of the Curry and Wilson farms, on which he has made all the improvements. Mr. Wilson was married December 27, 1860, to Eliza Blair, a daughter of William and Eliza (Eakin) Blair, of Venango township, and has a family of seven living children, viz.: Eliza J.; James A.; Elma; Louisa; Miriam; Harry, and Blanche. Mr. Wilson and wife, and their three eldest daughters, are members of the Associate Presbyterian church. In politics, he is a stanch Democrat.

LEWIS CHAMBERS, a native of New Jersey, and a son of Daniel Chambers, a native of Scotland, came to Butler county about 1818, and settled in what is now Venango township, on the farm now occupied by his son James L. He cleared and improved this property, and resided upon it until his death, May 22, 1871. He married Elizabeth Hilliard, a daughter of Guy Hilliard, a native of Ireland and one of the pioneers of Venango township. Her mother, Margaret Hilliard, lived to the remarkable age of 102 years. Seven children were born to Lewis and Elizabeth Chambers, as follows: Lydia, who married William Tebay; Thomas; Daniel; John; James L; Margaret, wife of D. C. McCandless, and Elizabeth, wife of David Conn. Mr. Chambers was a member of the Methodist church nearly all his life, and a class leader for many years. In politics, he was a Republican.

JAMES L. CHAMBERS, fourth son of Lewis and Elizabeth Chambers, was born in Venango township, Butler county February 23, 1835, and was reared, upon his present homestead, which has always been his residence. He received a common school education and has devoted his attention to farming. In 1870 he married Caroline Marshall, a daughter of Joseph Marshall, of Marion township, and has five children, viz.: Mandam McC.; Burgess; Lewis; Mary C., and Anna M. Politically, Mr. Chambers is a Republican, and in religious faith, is a supporter of the Methodist Episcopal church.

SAMUEL FLEMING, a native of Ireland, was among the early settlers of Venango township, Butler county, where he purchased seventy-three acres of land, which he continued to clear and improve as long as he lived. He was twice married, his first wife being Mary Lindsay, to whom were born several children, only one now living, James, a resident of Missouri. His second wife was Matilda Becket, a native of Ireland, who bore him four children, viz.: William; Mary J., who married Hosea Oliphant; Samuel C., and Thomas J. Mr. Fleming was a member of the Presbyterian church, was a Republican, in politics, and lived to the ripe age of eighty-six years.

SAMUEL C. FLEMING, son of Samuel and Matilda Fleming, was born in Venango township, Butler county, November 3, 1860, was reared on the old homestead, and with the exception of three years when engaged in teaming in

the Butler oil field, he has resided upon the same place up to the present. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is an ardent supporter of the Republican party.

JOHN EAKIN, a native of Derry county, Ireland, born in 1776, was a son of John and Margaret (Posten) Eakin. In 1837 he immigrated to Pennsylvania, and after a voyage of ten weeks and four days in the ship "Harmony," landed with his family at Philadelphia, August 6, of that year. He came westward to Venango county, and settled in Irwin township, where he engaged in teaching school and farming, and resided there until his death. He married in Ireland, Margaret McClelland, a daughter of John McClelland, a dry goods merchant of Londonderry. She bore him a family of five children who grew to maturity, viz.: Elizabeth, who married William Blair; John; David; Margaret, who married Robert Bovard, and Thomas. Mr. Eakin was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church, and died May 10, 1846, in his seventieth year.

THOMAS EAKIN, youngest son of John and Margaret Eakin, was born in Donegal county, Ireland, November 10, 1818. He was reared and educated in Derry county, and came to Venango county, Pennsylvania, with his parents in 1837. He lived in Irwin township, Venango county, until 1863, and then removed to Venango township, Butler county, where he has since resided, engaged in farming. Mr. Eakin was married March 27, 1845, to Eliza, a daughter of Robert and Nancy (Eakin) Blair, of Venango township, and has eight living children, viz.: Nancy J., wife of C. P. Reynolds; John McC; Robert S.; Thomas; Lavina, wife of William McMillan; Emma, wife of Oliver Kohlmeyer; Mary, and Mina E., wife of Joseph Meals. Mr. Eakin is one of the substantial farmers of the township, is a member of the Associate Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

WILLIAM BLAIR was born in Donegal county, Ireland, October 31, 1810, and was a son of John and Margaret (Hawthorn) Blair. He immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1837, and settled in Venango township, Butler county, on the farm now owned and occupied by his son John. He cleared and improved this property and resided theron down to his death. He married Elizabeth Eakin, a daughter of John Eakin, a native of Ireland, who settled in Irwin township, Venango county. Seven children were the fruits of this union, five of whom grew to maturity, as follows: Margaret E., wife of Robert Wilson; John; Rachel, wife of A. M. Reynolds; Rebecca J., wife of Oliver Lewis, and Louisa, wife of John Stalker. Mr. Blair died May 5, 1871. He was a member of the Associate Presbyterian church, and in politics, an ardent Democrat.

JOHN BLAIR, only son of William and Elizabeth Blair, was born upon the homestead in Venango township, Butler county, May 29, 1843. He was reared upon his present farm, and, with the exception of three years spent in mercantile business at Farmington, has passed his entire life in agricultural pursuits. He married Nannie, a daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Wilson, of Venango township, who has borne him the following children: Gertrude; William; Frank P.; Edward; John M.; Thomas A.; Ralph S.; Mamie; Louisa, and Bertha. Mr. Blair is a member of the Associate Presbyterian church, in which he is a ruling

elder. In politics, he is a Democrat, has held various township offices, and is one of the progressive and representative farmers of his township.

Levi Williams, a son of Benjamin and Tamar K. (Wood) Williams, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1781, and came to Sandy Creek township, Venango county, with his parents about 1803. His father was a native of Wales, and married Tamar K. Wood, a native of England. They settled first in Lancaster county, whence they removed to Northumberland county, remaining until 1803, when they removed to Venango county and settled in Sandy Creek township. Benjamin Williams was a tailor, and followed his trade among the pioneers. He was the father of the following children: John; Jessie; Levi; Sarah, who married William Crawford; Mrs. Polly Stofelt; Benjamin, and Eli. In 1812 Levi removed from Clinton township to the extreme southwest part of Scrubgrass township, Venango county. He owned 109 acres of land, which is still in possession of his sons, and in 1836 erected the stone house now occupied by Simeon Williams. He, too, was a tailor, but devoted his principal attention to farming. With the assistance of his sons he cleared and improved the farm upon which he resided at his death, in April, 1867. He was a soldier in the War of 1812 from Venango county. Mr. Williams married Polly Phipps, a daughter of John Phipps, of Scrubgrass township. Their children were as follows: John; Tamar, who married John Scott; Benjamin; Levi; Jesse; David; Samuel; Simeon; Eli; Thomas; Catherine, who married Thomas Christy, and Mary A., who married A. J. Jack. Mr. Williams and wife were pioneer members of Scrubgrass Presbyterian church.

John Williams, eldest son of Levi and Polly Williams, was born in Scrubgrass township, Venango county, February 13, 1812, and was reared on the old homestead. In 1844 he settled in Venango township, Butler county, where he cleared and improved the farm upon which he has since resided. On November 2, 1837, he married Mary Scott, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Scott, of Scrubgrass township. Ten children were born to this union, seven of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Levi J.; J. W. Milton; Lavina, wife of W. J. Eakin; Sarah, wife of H. B. Stalker; Samuel C.; Margaret, wife of Austin Eakin, and Selina, wife of Samuel Beyers. Mr. Williams is in his eighty-third year, and still hale and hearty for a man of his advanced age. Politically, he has always been a Democrat.

Samuel C. Williams, son of John and Mary Williams, was born on the homestead farm in Venango township, Butler county, January 25, 1856, and has resided thereon up to the present. In 1880 he married Sarah Moore, a daughter of James and Clarinda (Hovis) Moore, of Clinton township, Venango county. They are the parents of four surviving children, viz.: Mary C.; Charles F.; James A., and William E. Mr. Williams is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, he is a Democrat.

John McNamee, son of Neal and Bridget (McCullough) McNamee, was born in Derry county, Ireland, in 1792, was reared in his native land, and in 1836 immigrated with his family to the United States, settling the same year in Venango township, Butler county, Pennsylvania. He was employed for ten years in the furnaces of that locality, and then purchased a farm in Venango

township, which is still owned by his heirs. He cleared and improved this property, and died thereon, July 15, 1887, at the age of ninety-five years. His wife died on March 30, 1887, aged eighty-seven years. He married Sarah McNally, a daughter of Harry McNally, of Ireland, of which union five children grew to maturity, viz.: Bridget; Ellen; Patrick; Francis, and Sarah A. Mr. McNamee and wife were members of the Catholic church, in which faith they lived and died.

Francis McNamee, son of John and Sarah McNamee, was born in Derry county, Ireland, in August, 1833, and came to Butler county with his parents. He was reared in Venango township, and on attaining his majority engaged in lumbering for several years, also as a pilot on the Clarion and Allegheny rivers. In 1862 he located on the farm in Venango township where he now resides, cleared and improved it, and has since been engaged in agriculture. On March 3, 1862, he married Ellen C. Reid, a daughter of John and Mary (Coakley) Reid, of Venango township, They are the parents of eight children, as follows: John L.; William P.; Hugh A.; Mary C., wife of Jacob Downey; Francis H.; James P.; Annie C., and Charles J. Mr. McNamee and family are members of the Catholic church. In politics, he is a Democrat, and has held the offices of constable, collector, assessor and school director.

Hamilton Morrow was born in eastern Pennsylvania, in 1800, a son of Thomas Morrow, and settled in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, about 1820. He was a furnaceman and farmer, and cleared and improved a farm of fifty-three acres in that township, upon which he resided until his death. He married Jane Davis, a daughter of Lemuel Davis, of this county. She bore him a family of seven sons and seven daughters, whose names are as follows: Nancy, who married Daniel Wolford; Margaret, who married Williamson Christy; Washington; Elizabeth, who married George Blakeney; Andrew J.; Jonathan; Kate A., who became the wife of Hartley Bell; Prudence, who married Samuel Bell; Mary, who married William McConnell; Perry, who died while serving in the Union army during the Rebellion; James; David; Annie, and William. Mr. Morrow was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he supported the Democratic party.

Andrew J. Morrow, son of Hamilton and Jane Morrow, was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, in 1834, and resided there until thirty-five years of age. He then removed to Venango county and engaged in mining, which occupation he still continues, having followed agriculture in connection therewith since 1871. In that year he purchased a farm in Venango township, Butler county, and has since added to his original purchase, until his farm now contains over 200 acres, a good share of which, with the assistance of his sons, he has cleared and improved. In 1858 Mr. Morrow married Mary McFadden, a daughter of John and Barbara (Hoffman) McFadden, of Irwin township, Venango county, and has eight children, viz.: John; Barbara; Jacob; Margery; Michael; Lewis; W. Jackson, and Albert. Mr. Morrow is a Democrat, and has held the offices of supervisor and school director in Venango township.

Andrew Addleman, son of John and Sarah (Gnow) Addleman, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1800, and was of German extraction·

He came to Venango township, Butler county, in 1843, and settled on the farm at that time owned by Andrew and Thomas Sloan, now the property of Amos Seaton, where he died in 1871. He married Margaret Henry, a daughter of Alexander Henry, of Huntingdon county. She was born in 1808, and died in 1894. The following children were the fruits of this union: Angeline, who married James Feely; Lucinda, who married Samuel Rosenberry; R. Miles; Sarah; James A.; Margaret; John W.; Benjamin P.; Lindley H.; Robert A.; Eliza, and Porter. Mr. Addleman was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics, he was a Republican.

Reuben Miles Addleman, eldest son of Andrew and Margaret Addleman, was born in Huntingdon county, May 15, 1832, and came to Venango township, Butler county, with his parents when he was about eleven years old. He received a common school education, and assisted his father in clearing and improving the farm upon which he now resides. In 1860 he married Nancy J. Atwell, a daughter of James and Martha (Boyle) Atwell, of Marion township, and has the following children, viz.: Louisa, wife of Leander Lewis; Margaret, wife of Frank Calvert; Olive, wife of William Graham; Addison P.; Andrew; Elmeda; Vera, and Fannie. Mr. Addleman is a Republican, and has held various offices in Venango township.

John Parker was one of the pioneer surveyors of Butler county. He was a son of General Parker, was born in 1776, and came here before his marriage, in 1794, in the employ of a Mr. Moore, to survey the lands in what is now Parker township, adjacent to Parker City. He was from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and took up 600 acres, a portion of which is now within the limits of the town. He subsequently married, brought out his wife and settled in Parker township, Butler county. John Parker was one of the early associate judges of the county, a man of wide influence in the community, progressive, public-spirited and energetic, and one of the most useful citizens of his day. In 1815 he surveyed a part of his land into town lots and named the place Lawrenceburg, which is now a portion of Parker City. He married Jane Woods, on December 7, 1797. She was born near Greensburg, Pennsylvania, in 1774, and became the mother of eight sons and one daughter, as follows: James; John; Juliet, who married John Gilchrist; William M.; Fullerton W; Washington; George P; Thomas, and Wilson. Judge Parker died in 1842.

George Parker, son of John and Jane Parker, was born in Parker township, Butler county, September 8, 1812. He grew to maturity upon the homestead farm, his education being limited to the advantages afforded by the pioneer schools of his neighborhood. He took an active interest in military matters, and served in one of the militia companies of the county. Mr. Parker was married July 20, 1843, to Jane Pollock, a daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Pollock, and niece of John Pollock, one of the early sheriffs of Butler county. She was born near Mt. Pleasant, Jefferson county, Ohio, May 3, 1818, and is at present residing at Parker City. Her husband died December 10, 1887. For many years he filled the office of trustee in the Presbyterian church of that town, and gave liberally of his means towards religious and charitable purposes. He was a stanch Republican, and quite active in public affairs. Mr. Parker accumulated through

the passing years a large fortune, by successful oil operations and the development of that industry on the lands which he owned.

ARCHIBALD KELLY, a native of Ireland, was a grandson of James Kelly, who died at the siege of Derry, leaving one son, James. The latter married and reared four sons and one daughter. The sons were: Thomas; Archibald; John, and Samuel. Archibald was reared in his native land, there received a good education, and immigrated to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in 1785, where he taught school for several years. In 1796 he came to Butler county and located a claim in what is now Washington township, erected a cabin thereon, and then went back to Westmoreland county for provisions. Returning to Butler county, he found his claim had been taken possession of during his absence, and he selected another one, this time in Parker township, and then returned to Westmoreland for his wife and family. Some years previously he had married Margaret Dunseth, who had several children prior to their removal to this county. They made the journey on pack-horses through the trackless forest, being compelled to cut a pathway much of the distance. On arriving at his second cabin in Parker township, he found it occupied by John Jameson's family, who, after some forcible persuasion, vacated the property to the rightful owner. Mr. Kelly began at once the work of clearing and improving his farm, upon which he and wife resided the remainder of their lives. He was one of the first school teachers in this section of the State, and for many years wrote the deeds and articles of agreement for the early settlers. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian church, and died in April, 1839, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. His wife died some years before. They were the parents of the following children: James; Thomas; Hannah, who married John Jameson; Martha, who married Thomas Martin; John; Sarah, who married Daniel Cannon; David; Esther, who married Hugh Fleming; Margaret, who became the wife of Edward Fleming; Betsey, who remained unmarried; William, and Andrew, all of whom are dead.

THOMAS KELLY, son of Archibald and Margaret Kelly, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1789, and was nine years of age when his parents settled in Butler county. He was reared in Parker township, and attended the pioneer subscription school of the neighborhood. When eighteen years old he engaged in the distilling business, followed that vocation for thirty-seven years, and then settled on the homestead in Parker township, where he died on November 1, 1868. Mr. Kelly married Elizabeth Donelly, and reared a family of seven children, viz.: Archibald, deceased; James; Margaret, deceased; Hannah, widow of John Thompson; Matilda, widow of John Scott; Jane, wife of Robert Storey, and Thomas. Mr. Kelly was a member of the United Presbyterian church, and an elder in that organization.

JAMES KELLY was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, January 6, 1815, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Donelly) Kelly, and grandson of Archibald Kelly. He obtained a good education, and at the age of twenty-six commenced teaching during the winter season, while in the summer he followed farming. This he continued for eight years, and then purchased a farm in Concord township, upon which he resided until 1879, when he traded it for his present home-

stead in Clay township. Mr. Kelly was married December 28, 1848, to Isabel Turner, to which union have been born eleven children, as follows: Elizabeth M.; Matilda J.; Miriam C., and Thomas W., all of whom are dead; Hannah V., wife of Harvey Cumberland; Nancy A., deceased; James E., who married Sarah Carothers, and has two children, Clarence and Isabel; Emma F., deceased; Sarah M., wife of Charles Mershimer; John H., of Butler, and Charles A., a resident of Chartiers, Pennsylvania. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, and in politics, Mr. Kelly is a Republican.

David Kelly, seventh child of Archibald and Margaret Kelly, was born in Parker township, Butler county, March 22, 1800, and grew to maturity upon his father's farm. In 1824 he married Jane Tweedy, a native of Westmoreland county, born March 30, 1805. For some years they kept a hotel at New Alexander, and at Bairdstown, but removed to Butler county in 1833, and located near Bruin. Here David Kelly died, September 21, 1874, and his wife, April 27, 1877. He was quite a prominent citizen of that township, served seventeen years as a justice of the peace and held a colonel's commission in the militia. David and Jane Kelly were the parents of thirteen children, named as follows: John; Archibald, and William, both deceased; Thomas D.; Elizabeth J., wife of David McKelvey; David Porter; Margaret A., deceased wife of James Wilson; Isabella, deceased wife of Abraham Daubenspeck; Johanna, deceased wife of Samuel C. Turner; Evaline, deceased wife of James Fleeger; Alvina, wife of Andrew Bullman; Salina, deceased wife of John Sutton, and Adelia, deceased wife of Myron Brawley. The parents were members of the United Presbyterian church.

David Porter Kelly, youngest son of David and Jane Kelly, was born upon the farm where he now resides, in Parker township, March 12, 1836, and was reared and educated in that locality. On September 9, 1869, he married Margaret McGarvey, to which union two children have been born, viz.: Nancy Jane, deceased, and Salina M., wife of Frank Black, of Bruin. Mrs. Kelly died October 17, 1872. He was again married May 6, 1878, to Sarah M. Glenn, a daughter of John and Dorcas (McIlvaine) Glenn, born in Clay township, Butler county. She was educated at the Sunbury Academy and for many years was a teacher in the public schools. Four children have been born to this union, viz.: Lucy Hays, deceased; Bessie Woods; Ethel Gray, and Bertha Earnestine. Mr. Kelly and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, at Fairview, in which he fills the office of elder. In politics, he is a Prohibitionist, and has held various township offices.

Thomas W. Kelly, son of James and Rachel Kelly, was born in Parker township, Butler county, September 17, 1833, and was reared upon the homestead farm. In 1852 he married Rosanna Forquer, a daughter of John Forquer, of Washington township, to which union were born twelve children, viz.: Washington J.; Florence A., who married R. L. Gibson; Margaret E., who married Samuel Clark; Sarah L., who married F. F. Howe; Elmer E.; Nancy J., deceased; Maud B.; Lewis M.; Minnie; Thomas L., deceased, and two that died in infancy. Mrs. Kelly died on August 23, 1894. Mr. Kelly is a member

of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, a Republican. He resides upon the old homestead in Parker township.

Capt. Robert Storey, one of the pioneers of Parker township, Butler county, was a native of Ireland, born December 25, 1776. He first settled in Westmoreland county, whence he came to Butler county in 1796, and located on a 400-acre tract of land in Parker township. He built his cabin in the midst of the primitive forest, and through the passing years cleared and improved his farm, and resided thereon until his death, July 5, 1850. He married Jane Moore, a daughter of William Moore, an early settler of Oakland township. She died in 1833. Their children were as follows: Elizabeth, who married William Adams; Alexander; Jane; Ann, who married Eli Campbell; William; Eleanor; Mary D.; Robert, and John. Mr. Storey was a captain in the War of 1812, serving in a company from this county. He was one of the early members of Bear Creek Presbyterian church, and was widely known and highly respected in the community.

William Storey, son of Robert and Jane (Moore) Storey, was born in Parker township, Butler county, February 11, 1820. He spent his boyhood days with his parents, residing with them until his twenty-fifth year, then located on a tract of land in the same township, which he began clearing and improving. He continued to follow agricultural pursuits until August, 1863, when he enlisted in Company E, Sixty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and subsequently served in the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth regiment. He participated in the battles of Hatcher's Run, the Wilderness, Cold Harbor, Spottsylvania, Mine Run, etc. At the battle of the Wilderness he received a scalp wound which laid him up in the hospital. He is now disabled from the hardships endured in the service of his country, and draws a pension. After the war Mr. Storey returned to his home, and has since resided near the village of Martinsburg, where he owns 110 acres of land upon which there are valuable coal deposits. Though formerly a Republican, he is now a Prohibitionist. He is a member of the G. A. R., also of Bruin Presbyterian church.

Cyrus Campbell, a leading farmer of Parker township, was born upon his present homestead, May 18, 1826. His father, Joseph Campbell, was of Scotch descent, and came to Butler county at an early day. He married Mary Storey, a daughter of William Storey, and to them were born nine children, as follows: William; John; Alexander; Joseph; James; Andrew; Thomas; Mary A., who married Joseph Henlin, and Cyrus. The father died in Parker township, January 13, 1875, in his eighty-eighth year, his wife having preceded him to the grave, September 22, 1869, in the eighty-fourth year of her age. Cyrus remained with his parents until their decease, looking after the farm during the latter years of their lives. He now owns 106 acres of the original homestead, upon which he resides. To this he has added 112 acres adjoining, and has made many improvements thereon, his residence being one of the finest in the township. He has been very successful in business and possesses considerable interests in the oil industry. In politics, he is a Republican. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, at Fairview, in which he has served as trustee.

JOHN ALLEN, SR., a soldier of the Revolution, was born and reared in eastern Pennsylvania, and came to what is now Parker township, Butler county, about 1796. He subsequently removed to Allegheny township, and settled on a tract of 100 acres. He resided upon this farm until an advanced age, and died at the home of his son William. He was twice married. By his first marriage he was the father of six children. His second wife was Martha Van Dyke, to which union were born the following children: John; Richard; Robert; Washington; William, and Martha, who married William Davidson.

JOHN ALLEN, eldest child of John and Martha Allen, was born in what is now Parker township, Butler county, December 20, 1799, and was reared upon his father's settlement in that township. He afterwards settled upon the farm where his son John R. now resides, in Allegheny township, and died July 4, 1865. Mr. Allen married Elizabeth Redic, a daughter of John Redic, who died February 22, 1864. Their children were named as follows: Eliza, deceased; Martha, deceased wife of W. T. Crawford; Jane, and Mary A., both deceased; John R., who resides on the homestead, and Richard H. deceased. Politically, Mr. Allen was an ardent Whig, and afterwards a Republican, and served in the office of justice of the peace for thirty-five years. He was one of the pioneer members of Parker Presbyterian church, and filled various offices in that society, being elder for many years.

JOHN R. ALLEN, the only living child of John and Elizabeth (Redic) Allen, was born April 4, 1827, upon the farm where he now resides, and received a common school education. He has been a life-long Republican, and has been connected with the Allegheny Presbyterian church since its organization. He was married December 7, 1854, to Mary J. Campbell, a daughter of William Campbell, of Rockland township, Venango county. Their children are as follows: Margaret, deceased wife of James Pearce; Elizabeth L., wife of John Warner; Orrill Emma, wife of Josiah Pearce, and Harvey C., who married Ida J. Shimmel. Mr. Allen is a progressive farmer, and one of the enterprising citizens of his township.

GEORGE DAUBENSPECK was born in Parker township, Butler county, November 30, 1799, eldest son of Philip and Mary Daubenspeck, and grandson of Jacob Daubenspeck, who came from Luzerne county with his wife and family in 1796 and settled in Parker township. Here Jacob's wife died, and he removed to Clarion county. His original settlement came into the possession of his sons, George and Philip, both of whom spent their lives in this township. George Daubenspeck, Sr., married Ann Margaret Meals, and reared ten children. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died in 1858, in his eighty-second year. Philip married Mary Freize, and reared seven children, as follows: Mrs. Catherine Warner; George; John; Mrs. Mary Barnhart; Mrs. Anna H. Kamerer; Mrs. Barbara Shakeley, and Lewis. The subject of this sketch attended a subscription school in boyhood, and followed the occupation of a farmer throughout his life. On December 27, 1825, he married Elizabeth Barnhart, a daughter of Daniel Barnhart of Millerstown, and settled in Parker township. Ten children were the fruits of this marriage, viz.: Daniel, who was killed in the late war; Philip; David; Abraham; Lavina, deceased wife of Christopher Daubenspeck;

William B , who was killed at Fredericksburg; Susanna, who was twice married, first to James Hutchison, and second to Shryock Harper, who died recently at North Washington; George F.; Mary J., wife of James Gibson, and Jacob D. Mr. Daubenspeck and wife were members of the Reformed church, in which he filled the office of elder for many years. Politically, he was a Democrat, and served as supervisor, collector, and school director in Parker township. He died on October 7, 1881, and his wife, October 12, 1892.

CHARLES MCCAFFERTY was a native of Donegal county, Ireland, where he was born about 1754. He came to this country at an early date, and settled in the vicinity of Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, where he married a Miss Williams. Towards the close of the Eighteenth century, he removed to Butler county and purchased a tract of 110 acres in what is now Parker township. Here he cleared and improved a farm, and resided thereon until his death, in 1848, at the age of ninety-four years. His wife died some years before. The farm upon which he settled is now the property of his grandson, William J. McCafferty, of Butler. In religious belief, he was a Catholic, and in politics, a stanch adherent of the Democratic party. His children were as follows: Mary; Mrs. Jane Kelly; Nellie; William, who located at Fairview and afterwards near Greenville, Pennsylvania, and there died; John, who died in Butler, and Charles, who lived and died in Clarion county.

JOHN MCCAFFERTY, second son of Charles McCafferty, was born on the homestead in Parker township, Butler county, May 31, 1813, and grew to manhood in his native township. He received such an education as the pioneer subscription schools afforded, and all of his life was spent upon the old homestead up to 1890, when he removed to Butler, where he died, November 2, 1892. Mr. McCafferty was quite an active man in his locality, and took a deep interest in the growth and progress of the community. He was one of the leading Democrats of Parker township, and filled the offices of collector and assessor many years, and at his death he was one of the jury commissioners of Butler county. He married Mary A., daughter of Joseph Murrin, of Murrinsville, Butler county; she died October 16, 1891. Their children were as follows: Austin J., a deceased attorney of Butler; Louisa, wife of Daniel Wasson; Lena, and Lizzie, both of whom died in infancy; Charles A., of Washington county; Mollie M., wife of John Barbary, of Glade Run; Joseph A., of Glade Run; Matilda, wife of E. D. McKelvy, and William J., of Butler.

JOHN SAY, one of the oldest living citizens of Parker township, was born in this township, January 26, 1811. His father, John Say, emigrated from Huntingdon county at an early day, and settled on a tract of land in what is now Parker township, Butler county. He married Sarah Martin, who bore him a family of four children, viz: John; James, deceased; Fannie, wife of Samuel Jack; and William. The parents spent the remainder of their lives in this county. John was reared amidst the scenes and incidents of pioneer days. In 1836 he married Sarah Fletcher, and to this union were born five children, viz.: Hamilton; Eliza Ann, deceased wife of John Cannon; Sallie J., and Ann Eliza, both deceased, and Perry. Mrs. Say died, and he married for his second wife Hannah Fleming. To this union were born the following children: Edgar F.;

George M.; Matilda, wife of William Butler, and Isabella, wife of John Heckman. Mrs. Say died November 12, 1884. Though well advanced in years Mr. Say is still strong and active. His memory is clear and he vividly remembers many of the incidents connected with the early history of Parker township. He has been a life-long member of the Presbyterian church, and has filled the office of elder in that society.

GEORGE M. SAY, son of John and Hannah Say, was born August 24, 1863, upon the homestead farm in Parker township, and received a common school education. He was reared a farmer and has always followed that vocation. In 1883 he married Lena M., a daughter of George and Jane Knox, of Parker township. They have two children: George K., and Jennie. Mr. Say owns 115 acres of the original homestead, is one of the leading farmers of the township, and takes an active interest in modern agricultural methods, his farm being a model one. Politically, he is a Republican, and a man of enterprise and public spirit.

OWEN THOMAS was a native of Virginia, born June 26, 1795, and spent his boyhood days in Ohio, whither he had gone with his parents during the pioneer history of that State. He married Martha Johnston, of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, and was employed at Mt. Etna furnace, in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, for several years. He was a moulder and collier, and followed these occupations the greater part of his life. About 1830 he settled on a farm in Parker township, and died on July 18, 1868; his widow survived until July 21, 1870. They were the parents of eleven children, seven of whom are living. Mr. Thomas was a plain, industrious, honest man, and was highly respected by the community in which so many years of his life were passed.

WILLIAM FINLEY THOMAS was born in Slippery Rock township, Butler county, in 1825, son of Owen and Martha Thomas.. He came with his parents to this township when five years old, and spent his boyhood days upon the farm, his education being obtained in the subscription schools. In 1852 he joined a party of prospectors and went to California, traveling overland on the government trail, via Fort Laramie and Salt Lake City. He remained in California eleven years, and in Idaho two years, prospecting with varying success and enduring the privations of the early gold hunter's life. In 1865 he returned to Pennsylvania and engaged in boating oil on the creek at Oil City. In 1867 he went to Missouri, where for a time he followed agricultural pursuits, and still owns a farm in that State. Returning to Butler county in the spring of 1870, he embarked in the oil industry, which business he has since followed, and is a stockholder in the Producers Oil Company, Limited. Mr. Thomas is connected with the I. O. O. F., the A. O. U. W., and the E. A. U.; he is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics, is a stanch Republican.

OWEN J. THOMAS, producer and farmer, was born where he now resides, in Parker township, July 21, 1839. He is a son of Owen and Martha (Johnston) Thomas, and spent his boyhood days beneath the parental roof. In 1861 he went to Oil City and engaged in boating oil on the creek, also in hauling oil in wagons prior to the introduction of pipe lines. In 1869 he returned to Parker township, where he has since resided. Mr. Thomas was married Decem-

ber 16, 1885, to Ida E., a daughter of I. S. and Florence Gibson, of Oil City, and has two children: Owen Gibson, and Robert Bryan. He resides upon a farm of 110 acres of well improved land, containing a splendid production, and devotes his principal attention to the oil industry. Politically, he is a Democrat, and in religious faith, a member of the Presbyterian church. He is connected with the K. of H., the A. O. U. W., and the Royal Arcanum.

Harry M. Caldwell, general merchant, is a native of Ireland, born in Ballymonney, Antrim county, March 28, 1842, son of Henry and Margaret (McKay) Caldwell. He was educated in the schools of his native land, and learned the linen-maker's trade with his father, who was a manufacturer of linen. When seventeen years of age he decided to come to the New World, and embarked in a sailing vessel at Liverpool. After a voyage of six weeks he landed at Philadelphia, where he found employment in a harness-maker's shop, but afterwards learned the moulder's trade. In 1870 he came to Pittsburg and accepted a position as traveling salesman, later becoming a member of the firm of Morrison & Caldwell. In 1878 he located in the village of Bruin, Butler county, and established his present general mercantile business, which under his careful management has proven successful. Mr. Caldwell has been closely identified with the progress of the village since his coming, and has taken an active interest in public affairs. He is a stanch Republican, and was appointed postmaster of Bruin in 1888; he has filled various other official positions and has served as a delegate to both state and county conventions. In connection with his varied business interests, he also fills the position of station and express agent at that point. In January, 1876, Mr. Caldwell was married to Mary H. McKallip, to whom has been born one son, Henry K. McK. The family are connected with Bruin Presbyterian church, and Mr. Caldwell is a Knight Templar in the Masonic order.

Daniel Walker was born in Tyrone county, Ireland, November 19, 1832, son of Robert and Margaret Walker, both of whom died in their native land. In 1849 Mr. Walker came to the United States, and from New York proceeded by canal and wagon to Pittsburg, and finally to Clarion county, where he engaged as a laborer at twelve dollars per month. In 1850 he removed to Parker township, Butler county, where he worked as a farm laborer with one man for six years, receiving as a part payment for his labor eighty acres of land. In March, 1860, he married Ann Eliza Guthrie, and settled upon his eighty acres in a little log cabin. His was prosperous from the start, and is to-day the owner of more than 500 acres of land in Butler and Mercer counties. Ten children were born of his marriage to Miss Guthrie, whose names are as follows: William G.; George; Samuel; Margaret J.; Lallah; Annie; John; James; Lulie, and Lillie. The family are connected with the United Presbyterian church, at Fairview, in which society Mr. Walker fills the office of trustee. He is a stanch Republican, and has served on the school board for ten years.

William G. Walker, eldest child of Daniel and Ann Eliza Walker, was born in Parker township, May 6, 1861, and was educated in the public schools and at Grove City College. On March 15, 1886, he married Lizzie J., a daughter of William and Nancy J. Kelly, of Parker township, and has three children,

viz.: Lillie May; Lena Bell, and Charles Roland. In 1891 he located upon his present farm, containing 100 acres, and is one of the progressive young farmers of the community. He is an ardent Republican, is quite active in politics, and has served as inspector of elections.

James Gibson was born in Parker township, Butler county, on the old Gibson homestead, June 4, 1813, son of James Gibson, who settled in that township in 1797. He was reared amidst the scenes of pioneer days, was a farmer and riverman, and had the contract for shipping the Brady's Bend iron to the different river ports along the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. In 1839 he married Jane, a daughter of Walter Sloan, of Pine township, Armstrong county, who bore him a family of seven children, viz.: Miles M.; Harvey S.; Rebecca, who married William Gibson; Eliza J., who married William Wilson; James D., and two that died in infancy. Mr. Gibson was a member of the Presbyterian church, and always took a very active interest in educational matters. He died in 1856. His widow is living with her son, Miles M., at North Clarendon, Warren county.

Eli L. Gibson was born upon his present farm in Parker township, Butler county, April 20, 1830. His parents, George and Elizabeth (Le Vere) Gibson, were natives of Butler and Armstrong counties, respectively. George Gibson, died at his home in Parker township, December 18, 1877, and his wife, September 27, 1886. They were the parents of seven children, as follows: Eli L.; Sarah J., wife of A. L. Turner; Sidney M., wife of Aaron Graham; Elizabeth; Nancy; Matilda, and Montgomery K. The subject of this sketch was reared upon the homestead farm, and on reaching his majority took charge of the same, remaining with his parents until their death. He received a good education, and for many years was a teacher in the public schools. He is a stanch Republican, and has served two terms as township auditor, one as collector, and was for one term a member of the school board. He is a member of Bruin Presbyterian church, and is recognized as a public-spirited and progressive citizen.

INDEX.

PAGE.

Aborigines and Explorers..... 24
Abrams, Charles A..... 816
Abrams, Edward Everett..... 815
Academy at Butler opened, 1810..... 186
Acme Lime Co., Limited, Winfield..... 489
Act of March 12, 1783..... 38
Act of April 2, 1803, 116; of April 2, 1802.. 135
Act creating Butler county..... 115
Adams, Ebenezer C.....1055
Adams, Joseph W..... 932
Adams, Thomas..... 932
ADAMS TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 440; organization, 440; physical characteristics, 440; coal deposits, 441; pioneers, 441; population and statistics, 442; schools, 442; justices, 442; churches, 442; villages, 444; biographical sketches...1083
Addison, Hon. Alexander..... 147
Addleman, Andrew..... 1322
Addleman, Reuben Miles.....1323
Aderhold, Albert..... 888
Aderhold, Henry F..... 888
Administration of justice, early..... 134
Advertiser, The (Buena Vista)..... 182
Advertiser, The (Petrolia).....182, 543
Aggas, Widow, adventures of..... 66
Agnew, Hon. Daniel.....142, 148
Agnew, Dr..... 164
Agricultural societies..... 203
Agriculture..... 202
Aiken, David L..... 775
Aiken, James P..... 775
Aland, Joseph W..... 749
Aland, William..... 749
Albert, Adam.....1255
Albert, Andrew.....1255
Albert, Warren..... 788
Alexander, Robert.....1188
Alexander, Thomas.....1188
Alexander, William H.....1189
"Allegheny," the first stern-wheeler... 195
Allegheny river..... 19
Allegheny and Susquehanna rivers, question of connecting the..... 195
ALLEGHENY TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 670; population, 670; pioneers, 670; early business ventures, 671; a hunting reminiscence, 671; schools and teachers, 672; justices of the peace, 672; churches and cemeteries, 672; villages, 673; biographical sketches.....1281
Allen, Gideon R.....1051
Allen John, Sr..... 220, 1327
Allen, John..... 1327

PAGE.

Allen, John R.....1327
Allen, Joseph.....1104
Allen, Robert.....1051
Allen, William, Sr.....1105
Allen, William, Jr.....1105
Allen & McConnell, Pipe Line..... 291
Alligawi-sipu (Allegheny river)..... 19
Allison, James.....1073
Allison, John N.....1073
Allison, Robert.....1073
Alumni Association..... 359
American Citizen (Butler)..... 178
Anandale..... 651
Anandale Station..... 644
Anderson, Maj. Cyrus E..... 808
Anderson, Elzie H..... 827
Anderson, Irwin.....1192
Anderson, James D..... 910
Anderson, John..... 909
Anderson, John F..... 827
Anderson, William.....1193
Andre, Daniel.....1034
Andre, William J.....1035
Anecdotes of early court days..... 137
Angelica..... 534
Animals and birds..... 22
Annisville..... 658
Anti-Masonic movement..... 119
Anti-slavery and liberty men..... 120
Anti-slavery meeting..... 121
Anti-temperance society..... 211
Apportionment changes..... 120
Apprentices sixty years ago..... 68
Archæology of the county..... 23
Area of the county..... 18
Argentine..... 659
Argonauts, the..... 70
Argyle..... 533
Argyle Savings Bank of Petrolia.. 534, 549
Armstrong, David and George..... 45
Ash, Joseph.....1124
Ash, Sylvester.....1125
Assessors, 1800-1803..... 85
Assessors and trustees of 1800 85
Associate or Seceder Church, Centreville 632
Associate Presbyterian Church of Unity, Venango township..... 662
Associate Judges..... 129
Association, Medical..... 170
Associations, Temperance..... 212
Attack on Kittanning..... 37
Attorneys admitted in 1804..... 137
Attorneys admitted to practice, 1804-1893. 158
Attorney's fee controversy..... 107

PAGE.

Atwell, David M....1310
Atwell, George....1310
Atwell, Robert....1310
Ayres, Capt. H. A.... 761
Ayres, Jonathan.... 154
Ayres, Gen. William....69, 94, 136, 151
Ayres, William J.... 761

B

Bachelors, tax on.... 94
Badger, James....1078
Badger, John....1078
Bailey, Charles A.... 814
Bailey, Thomas.... 941
Baker, Albert H....1227
Baker, George K....1057
Baker, Richard....1057
Baker, Thompson M.... 720
Baldwin's Church.... 597
Balfour, David....1154
Balfour, John....1154
Ball, John....1031
Bancroft, Prof. P. S.... 805
BAPTIST CHURCHES.—Butler, 348; Evans City (Amana), 423; Franklin township (Muddy Creek), 588; Harmony, 416; Oakland township (Beulah), 560; Penn township (Zion), 456; Worth township (Zion).... 612
Bar, The.... 150
Bar, members of from 1804 to 1893, 158; present members.... 161
Bard, A. J....1221
Bard, Samuel....1220
Barkey, Enos....1102
Barkey, John, Sr....1102
Barkey, John....1102
Barkley, Alfred H., sketch of....1276
Barkley, Alfred H., portrait of....1273
Barkley, Conrad, Sr....1275
Barkley, Conrad....1275
Barkley, Elias....1276
Barkley, George....1276
Barkley, George A....1276
Barkley, John....1275
Barkley, Nicholas....1275
Barkley, Samuel....1276
Barkley, William....1275
Barnes, Alexander....1229
Barnes, Hiram....1229
Barnes, James....1229
Barnes, James B....1229
Barnes John....1229
Barnes, John A....1230
Barnes, Robert L....1316
Barnes, Samuel, Sr....1228
Barnes, Samuel....1228
Barnes, Thomas....1230
Barnes, Washington S....1230
Barnes, William....1228
Barnhart, Aaron E.... 964
Barnhart, Andrew.... 963
Barnhart, Andrew W.... 838
Barnhart, Frederick....1190
Barnhart, Jacob.... 46
Barnhart, John D.... 922
Barnhart, Rudolph, Sr....46, 530, 963

PAGE.

Barnhart, Rudolph....1190
Barnhart, William.... 838
Barr, Andrew, Sr....1143
Barr, Andrew....1144
Barr, Andrew M....1144
Barr, James, sketch of....1143
Barr, James, portrait of....1137
Barr, John....1143
Barr, John C....1144
Barron, Robert....1243
Barron, William.... 65
Bartley, David....1052
Bartley, Naaman F....1052
Bartley, James....1051
Bartley, John L....1025
Bartley, John Walker....1052
Bartley, Joseph....1051
Bartley, J. Walter....1026
Bartley, Thomas, Sr....1025
Bartley, Thomas.... 865
Bartley, W. E.... 911
Bartley, William J.... 866
Bartley, Williamson.... 911
Bartmass, Rudolph....1055
Bartmass, William R....1055
Barto, David....1176
Barto, Jesse....1176
Basse, Dr. Detmar.... 401
Bassenheim, The.... 401
Battle at the mouth of the Mahoning.... 31
Bauder, Frederick....1279
Bauder, Henry....1278
Bauder, Jacob....1279
Bauder, John, Sr....1278
Bauder, Nicholas....1279
Bauer, Frederick, Sr.... 848
Bauer, Frederick.... 848
Bauer, George.... 838
Bauer, Peter.... 838
Bauman, Frederick.... 893
Beatty, Hon. William.... 700
Beatty, John....1298
Beatty, John L....1299
Beatty, Dr. J. W.... 168
Beatty, William....1298
Beck, George....1007
Beers, Alexander M....1112
Beers, James....1112
Behm, Augustus H....1132
Behm, George R....1132
Behm, George L....1119
Behm, John....1119
Behm, Nicholas, Sr....1131
Behm, Nicholas....1131
Beighle, Cornelius S....1194
Beighle, William....1194
Bell, Alexander....1291
Bell, Andrew Irvin....1292
Bell, George....46, 482
Bell, John.... 218
Bell, Samuel....1291
Bell, Samuel S.... 980
Bell, Sylvester D., M. D., sketch of.... 725
Bell, Sylvester D., M. D., portrait of.... 345
Bell, William, Sr....1291
Bell, William....1291
Bellis, George C.... 768
Bellis, Isaac....1195

PAGE.
Bellis, Sipe....1256
Bellis, William....1195
Belvidere Community of Practical Christians.... 449
Bench, The.... 147
Bench and Bar.... 134
Benson, John....1032
Benson, William F....1032
Bentle, Eranious....1094
Bentle, Howard M....1094
Berg, Henry A. and Louis.... 744
Berg, John, Sr.... 743
Berg, John, Jr.... 744
Berg & Co., John, banking house.... 361
Berkimer, Marshall A.... 774
Bible Society of Butler county.... 350
Bieghley, Aaron.... 824
Bieghley, Michael....1194
Biehl, Henry.... 765
Biehl, Peter.... 765
Bigham, Thomas....1206
Bigham, William....1206
Biographical sketches of Butler.... 674
Biographical sketches of the judges and older members of the bar.... 147
Bippus, Capt. John G....1027
Bippus, Samuel M., M. D.... 726
Black, Alexander, Sr. (Clay township)..1218
Black, Alexander (Slippery Rock Tp.)..1218
Black, Archibald, Sr. (Donegal Tp.)... 946
Black, Archibald, Jr. (Donegal Tp.)... 947
Black, Archibald (Donegal township)... 948
Black, H. Calvin....1235
Black, James (Donegal township).... 948
Black, James (California)....1305
Black, John, Sr. (Marion township)....1304
Black, John (Donegal township).... 947
Black, J. B.... 825
Black, John F.... 948
Black, Joseph....1283
Black, Joshua T....1305
Black, Lysander, M. D., sketch of.... 726
Black, Lysander, M. D., portrait of.... 377
Black, Matthew....1305
Black, Newton, sketch of.... 713
Black, Newton, portrait of.... 241
Black, Owen F.... 947
Black, Robert, Sr (Mercer county)....1234
Black, Robert (Harrisville)....1234
Black, Robert (Cherry township)....1282
Blain, Alexander....1082
Blain, William....1081
Blair, John....1320
Blair, William....1320
Blakeley, Andrew....1142
Blakeley, Col. Archibald.... 156
Blakeley, Isaac E....1142
Blakeley, Joseph....1141
Blakeley, Joseph L.... 883
Blakeley, Lewis....1141
Blakeley, Col. William.... 157
Bleichner, Jacob.... 845
Bleichner, Matthias.... 845
Boggs, Andrew....1097
Boggs, Henry C....1099
Boggs, Capt. James P....1098
Boggs, Robert....417, 1096
Boggs, Thomas W., sketch of....1098

PAGE.
Boggs, Thomas W., portrait of.... 417
Boice, Charles.... 901
Bole, F. H., factory of.... 371
Bond Case, Butler County.... 198
Bonner, James A.... 824
Bonny Brook.... 504
Book, Charles H....1287
Book, George....1286
Book, James....1286
Book, Uriah H....1287
Boos, Jacob.... 756
Boozel, John....1059
Borland, David F.... 778
Borland, William.... 778
Boston, John....1266
Boundaries of the county....18, 74
Bounties for soldiers.... 105
Bovard village.... 651
Bovard, Charles....1217
Bovard, Charles B....1284
Bovard, James....138, 1283
Bovard, James J....1216
Bovard, Johnston....1216
Bovard, Jonathan,....1216
Bovard, Washington....1284
Bovard, William.... 1215
Bovard, William E....1217
Bovard, William H....1217
Bowser, Ross M.... 920
Bowser, S. F., sketch of.... 713
Bowser, S. F., portrait of.... 713
Boyd, Charles N., sketch of.... 760
Boyd, Charles N., portrait of.... 761
Boydstown.... 561
Boyer, Isaac L....1196
Boyer, John....1196
Boyer, John R....1197
Brackenridge, Henry M.... 136
Brackney, Jesse....1053
Brackney, Lawson E.... 830
Braden, William A.... 973
Brady, Captain.... 31
BRADY TOWNSHIP—Origin of name, 614; organization, 614; physical characteristics, 614; mineral wealth, 614; coal deposits, 614; pioneers, 615; population and statistics, 616; early industries, 616; schools, 616; justices of the peace, 616; churches, 617; villages and post-offices, 618; the Stone House counterfeiters, 618; biographical sketches....1203
Branchton....623
Brandon, John....1184
Brandon, John W....1184
Brandon, Washington D.... 711
Brandon, William....1184
Breaden, Rev. John H....1061
Breaden, Rev. William P....1060
Bredin, Edward M.... 154
Bredin, Hon. James.... 149
Bredin, Hon. John.... 147
Bredin, Maurice.... 691
Bricker, John.... 868
Bricker, McCurdy, M. D.... 727
Brinker, Capt. Abraham.... 841
Brooks, Mark Hargen.... 831
Brower, Dr. H. B.... 166
Browington.... 619

PAGE.

Brown, Adam, Sr....1128
Brown, Adam, Jr....1128
Brown, Christian....1046
Brown, Ebenezer....1230
Brown, Henry J....1046
Brown, Jacob, Sr....1046
Brown, Jacob, Jr....1047
Brown, John....1046
Brown, John D.... 780
Brown, John M....1046
Brown, John W.... 814
Brown, Milton R.... 903
Brown, Nathan.... 903
Brown, Robert.... 902
Brown, Robert H....1129
Brown, Samuel....1231
Brownfield, James, Jr., sketch of.... 961
Brownfield, James, Jr., portrait of.... 961
Brownfield, William 961
Brownsdale.... 457
Brunermer, Henry....1185
Brush Creek Protective Association.... 440
Bryan, Robert S....1289
Bryan, Thomas....1289
Bryson, Alexander.... 219
Buckwheat, Butler county famous for.. 202
Buena Vista.... 533
BUFFALO TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 481; physical features, 481; coal deposits, 482; pioneers, 482; a game story, 483; first election, 483; mills and distilleries, 483; schools, 484; justices, 484; churches, 484; villages, 485; biographical sketches.... 831
Buffington, Hon. Joseph.... 152
Buhl, Christian....1084
Buhl, Henry....1085
Buhler, John....1176
Building and Loan Assoc'ns, of Butler.. 364
Bullard, Dr. Henry.... 168
Burckhalter, Jacob C.... 774
Burial place, first in the county.... 379
Burke, Patrick R....1006
Burkhart, Elijah.... 833
Burkhart, John.... 833
Burnside, James.... 218
Burry, Frederick....1105
Burry, Lewis N....1106
Burtner, Isaac P.... 876
Burtner, John.... 876
Burtner, Philip.... 876
Burton, Benjamin P.... 942
Burton, John W.... 941
Butler Academy....186, 353
Butler Agricultural Association.....205, 208
Butler American.... 177
Butler American and Star of Liberty... 178
Butler Bar Association.... 161
Butler Boiler Works.... 371
BUTLER BOROUGH.—Robert Morris and the Cunninghams, and original owners of the site, 299, 300; the town laid out, 300; first sale of lots and names of purchasers, 303; early settlers and first births, 306; the town incorporated, 307; first borough officers, elections and transactions of councils, 308; lot owners of 1821, 309; first quarter century, 311; taxables of 1828, 311; interesting petitions and ordinances, 312; burgesses and councilmen, 314; justices and postmasters, 320; pioneer merchants, 321; old-time innkeepers, 323; Lafayette's visit to Butler, 324; taverns and hotels of the past and present, 323; suburban growth, 327; churches, religious societies and charitable institutions, 328; the Butler Academy, 353; Witherspoon Institute, 356; public schools, 357; school directors from 1854 to 1894, 359; Catholic schools, 360; banking institutions, 361; building and loan associations, 364; insurance companies, 365; manufacturers, 366; railroads, 371; telegraph offices, 372; water supply, 373; fire department, 373; light and fuel companies, 374; secret and benevolent societies, 375; public buildings, 378; soldiers' monument, 378; graveyards and cemeteries, 379; old and new Butler, 381; biographical sketches.... 674

PAGE.

Butler Cemetery Association.... 380
Butler Centinel.... 173
Butler Citizen.... 179
Butler County Agricultural Society.... 204
Butler County Agricultural and Horticultural Society.... 204
Butler County Bank, Millerstown.... 518
Butler County Childrens' Aid Society... 351
Butler County Colonization Society.... 206
Butler County, derivation of name of... 18
Butler County, erection of.... 74
Butler County Farmers' Club.... 206
Butler County Mutual Insurance Co.... 365
Butler County Mutual Fire Insurance Co. 365
Butler County National Bank.... 363
Butler County Press....178, 179
Butler county, purchase of from the Indians.... 37
Butler County Record.... 180
Butler County Sabbath Association.... 350
Butler County Sabbath School Ass'n... 350
Butler County Teachers' Association... 189
Butler County Teachers' Institute.... 188
Butler County Whig.... 177
Butler Driving Park Association.... 208
Butler Eagle.... 179
Butler Electric Light and Power Co.... 374
BUTLER GAS FIELD.—Discovery and uses, 295; early gas wells, 295; the Campbell, Harvey and Burns wells, 295, 296; A. W. McCollough's enterprises, 298; a deep test well, 298; other natural gas producers.... 298
Butler Herald.... 175
Butler Manufacturing Co., Limited.... 371
BUTLER OIL FIELD.—Discovery and early uses of petroleum, 269; ancient oil vats, 270; first shipment of crude oil, 270; distilled petroleum, 270; coal oil lamp invented, 270; an excavated well, 271; first drilled well, 271; first producing well, 271; Butler Oil Co. organized, 271; early wells in Butler county, 272; form of oil leases, 271; early consignment of oil to Europe,

PAGE.

272; beginning of oil production in Butler county, 272; rapid development, 272; discovery and development of the fourth sand, 278; phenomenal wells, 278; Phillips and Armstrong gushers, 284; statistics of oil production, 290; average price of pipe line certificates, 290; pipe line companies, 291; how fortunes were missed, 292; the pumper and his signals, 292; torpedo invented, 292; oil pooling, 293; cost of drilling wells, 293; mysteries and surprises, 294; discredited prophets..... 294
Butler oil-field boom of 1874..... 125
Butler-Armstrong-Venango oil field.... 269
Butler Palladium and Republican Star. 172
Butler Pipe Line..... 291
Butler, Gen. Richard, sketch of..... 74
Butler, Gen. Richard, portrait of..Title page
Butler Savings Bank..... 362
BUTLER TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 383; changes of boundary, 383; physical features, 383; pioneers, 383; an old cemetery, 383; early mills, 385; population, 385; justices, 385; churches, 386; biographical sketches..... 831
Butler Union.....176, 178
Butler Water Co..... 373
Buttercup..... 395
Buxton, Friend..... 932
Buxton, Robert W..... 933
Byerly, Jacob..... 864
Byerly, John..... 865
Byers, George..... 219
Byers, James M.....1013
Byers, John E., M. D..... 725
Byers, William..... 843
Byrne, James..... 220
Byrom Centre..... 673

C

Cæsar, first settler of Muddy Creek..... 600
Caldwell, Harry M.....1330
Caldwell, John B..... 880
Callery..... 445
Calvary Cemetery Association..... 381
Campaign of 1856, 122; of 1860, 124; of 1874..... 125
Campbell, Alexander.....1255
Campbell, Andrew Graham, sketch of.. 809
Campbell, Andrew Graham, portrait of.. 809
Campbell, Benjamin.....1208
Campbell, Cyrus.....1326
Campbell, Edward.....1245
Campbell, General..... 220
Campbell, James, Sr. (Concord Tp.).....1037
Campbell, James, Sr. (Middlesex Tp.)... 930
Campbell, James, sketch of..... 700
Campbell, James, portrait of..... 193
Campbell, James E. (Concord township).1038
Campbell, James E. (Butler)..... 776
Campbell, James Gilmore, sketch of.... 690
Campbell, James Gilmore, portrait of... 81
Campbell, John S..... 690
Campbell, Joseph L., M. D..... 980
Campbell, Joseph P..... 980
Campbell, Robert S.....1038

PAGE.

Campbell, Theodore Chalmers..... 702
Campbell, Squire William..... 688
Campbell, William, Sr., sketch of..... 689
Campbell, William, Sr., portrait of..... 65
Campbell, William..... 690
Camp-Meeting Register (Prospect)..... 183
Canal convention..... 195
Carbon Black, or Saxon Station..... 492
Carbon Centre..... 498
Carner, Jefferson C..... 829
Carruthers, John.....1158
Carson, James Monroe..... 804
Carson, William..... 220
Cashdollar, John F.....1150
Cashdollar, Joseph.....1150
Cashdollar, William.....1149
CATHOLIC CHURCHES. — Butler (St. Peter's), 339—(St. Paul's), 340; Clearfield township (St. John's), 496—(St. Mary's-of-the-Woods), 497; Donegal township (St. Patrick's Parish), 507; Forward (Mission), 434; Marion township (St. Alphonsus), 645, 663; Millerstown (Mater Dolorosa), 526; Oakland township (St. Joseph's, German, and St. Joseph's, English), 558—(St. Wendelin's), 559; Petrolia (St. James' Chapel), 547; Summit township (St. Mary's)..... 502
Catholic schools, Butler..... 360
Cattle mark of Benjamin Zerber, 1804.. 138
CEMETERIES.—380, 381, 416, 426, 450, 456, 473, 474, 480, 497, 504, 510, 526, 558, 585, 626, 663..... 673
Centinel, The Butler..... 173
CENTRE TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 580; physical characteristics, 580; coal deposits and gas wells, 580; population and statistics, 581; pioneers, 581; first election, 583; justices of the peace, 583; schools, 583; churches, 583; villages, 585; biographical sketches..... 945
CENTREVILLE BOROUGH.—Founding of the town, 624; Stephen Cooper, the first settler, 624; early business enterprises, 624; fatal Fourth of July accident, 625; Savings Bank, 625; gas plant, 625; water works, 625; Co-operative Creamery Association, 626; Centreville Cemetery Association, 626; present business houses, 626; borough officials, 626; justices of the peace, 627; schools, 627; Slippery Rock State Normal School, 628; churches, 631; secret societies, 632; biographical sketches..1203
Centreville Casket..... 184
Chambers, James L.....1319
Chambers, Lewis.....1319
Chandler, George N.....1219
Chandler, Samuel T.....1219
Character of soils..... 22
Chautauqua National Building and Loan Association..... 365
CHERRY TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 647; physical characteristics, 647; coal deposits, 647; mining companies, 647; population and statistics, 647; pioneers, 647; early manufacturers, 648; first

PAGE.

election, 648; schools, 649; justices of the peace, 649; churches, 649; villages, 650; cyclone of 1882, 652; biographical sketches....1281
Chesney, William J.... 893
Chestnut Hill Stock Farm, Millerstown. 519
Christian Endeavor Union.... 350
Christie, Henderson W.... 822
Christie, John....1074
Christie, J. L., M. D....1187
Christie, Oscar Levi....1047
Christie, Thomas....1266
Christie, Thomas G....1266
Christie, Thomas T....1047
Christie, William....1073
Christie, William A., sketch of....1074
Christie, William A., portrait of.... 585
Christley, Alfred M.... 720
Christley, Curtis I....1212
Christley, George....1211
Christley, John....1212
Christley, John Harvey....1212
Christley, Michael....1213
Christley, Neyman....1213
Christley, Thomas F....1290
Christy, Dunbar....1282
Christy, John (Cherry township)....1281
Christy, Josiah....1050
Christy, Rev. Richard C.... 237
Christy, Robert F....1282
Christy, Samuel....1050
Christy, Samuel E....1050
Christy, William....1050
Church of Christ, Petrolia.... 547
CHURCH OF GOD.—Butler, 349; Centre township, 584; Concord township, 566; Harmony, 416; Middlesex township, 450; Washington township, 656; Worth township (Mt. Union).... 612
Citizens' Bank, Evans City.... 421
Citizens' Building and Loan Association 364
Citizens' Gas Co.... 375
Citizens' Light and Fuel Co., Millerstown.... 519
Civil law and other cases.... 138
Clark, Alexander....1297
Clark, Frank S.... 781
Clark, John C....1298
Clark, Thomas, Sr.... 220
Claytonia.... 572
CLAY TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 568; origin of name, 568; physical characteristics, 568; streams, 568; coal deposits and coal banks, 568; building stone, 569; population and statistics, 569; pioneers, 569; mills, 570; schools, 570; justices of the peace, 571; churches, 571; villages, 572; biographical sketches.... 945
CLEARFIELD TOWNSHIP. — Origin of name, 494; creeks, 494; coal deposits, 494; physical conformations, 494; pioneers, 494; population and statistics, 495; schools, 496; justices of the peace, 496; churches, 496; villages, 498; biographical sketches.... 831
Cleeland, Arthur....1260
Cleeland, David....1261

PAGE.

Cleeland, David L., sketch of.... 753
Cleeland, David L., portrait of.... 753
Cleeland, John.... 752
Cleeland, Robert....1260
Cleeland, Samuel....1261
Cleeland, Thomas....1261
Cleeland, Thomas J....1261
Cleeland, William J....1262
Clerks of the Courts.... 130
CLINTON TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 476; physical characteristics, 476; pioneers, 476; population and statistics, 478; schools, 478; justices, 478; churches, 478; cemeteries, 480; villages, 480; manufacturing and mercantile interests, 481; Harvey Post, G. A. R., 481; biographical sketches.... 831
Clutton, Frank....1225
Clutton, George W....1225
Coal deposits.... 22
Coal, discovery of in county.... 20
Coaltown.... 650
Colbert, Edwin D.... 751
Colbert, Isaac.... 751
Colbert, William R.... 751
Commercial Bank, Harmony.... 413
Commissioners.... 132
Commissioners, first meeting of county.. 93
Common school law agitation.... 186
Common school law, passage of.... 186
Common school system not popular.... 186
CONCORD TOWNSHIP—Physical characteristics, 562; early oil wells, 562; pioneers, 563; pioneer mill, 563; population and statistics, 564; schools, 564; justices, 564; churches, 564; villages, 566; biographical sketches.... 945
Concordia Orphans' Home.... 464
Congressional, senatorial, representative and judicial districts.... 116
Congressional and representative apportionment of 1887.... 125
Conn, Dr. Eli.... 168
CONNOQUENESSING TOWNSHIP. — Origin of name, 387; original and present area, 387; drainage, 387; physical features, 388; coal and limestone, 388; pioneers, 388; population and statistics, 390; early elections, 391; justices of the peace, 391; mills, 391; schools, 392; churches, 392; villages, 394; societies, 396; biographical sketches....1083
Connoquenessing Valley Agricultural Association.... 207
Connoquenessing Valley Agricultural Society.... 396
Connoquenessing Valley News....183, 403
Connoquenessing Vigilance Association 396
Constables in 1804.... 138
Constitution of 1790, Butler county under 116
Constitution of 1838.... 120
Constitutional convention of 1873.... 124
Constitutional convention delegates from Butler county.... 128
Contempt case, notable.... 136
Contract for new court-house building, 1852.... 111
Conway, Hugh....1039

PAGE.

Conway, William....1039
Conway, William, Jr....1039
Cooper, Andrew L....1205
Cooper, Harvey....1205
Cooper, Joseph L....1206
Cooper, Milton....1205
Cooper, Nathaniel, Sr....620, 1204
Cooper, Nathaniel....1205
Cooper, Robert.... 913
Cooper, Samuel H.... 914
Cooper, Stephen....620, 624
Cooper, Sylvanus....1203
Cooper, William.... 762
Cooper, Zebulon, Sr....620, 1203
Cooper, Zebulon....1204
Cooperstown.... 452
Cornelius, Alexander M.... 717
Cornelius, Samuel....1243
Coroners.... 131
Coulter, Dr. G. W.... 168
Coulter, Joseph.... 777
Counterfeiters, raid on.... 145
Counterfeiters in Brady township.... 618
County and township organization.... 74
County school superintendents.... 188
County seat, commission to locate.... 85
County seat removal scheme.... 110
Court-house (present one), building of, 109; history and description of.... 112
Court-house buildings, old, 110; new.... 114
Court-house burned.... 111
Court-house, second one completed.... 105
Court decisions, land title disputes.... 41
Court of common pleas and quarter sessions, first.... 135
Court proceedings, early.... 135
Covenanter Church, Buffalo township...485
Covenanter or Reformed Presbyterian Church, Centreville.... 632
Covenanter Church, Concord township. 565
Covenanter Church, Old, Portersville... 608
Covert, Isaac....1151
Covert, John....1166
Covert, John Milton....1167
Covert, Luke.... 220
Covert, Miles....1152
Covert, Morris....1166
Cowden, John, M. D....164, 1267
Cowden, William Reynolds, M. D..166, 1267
Coylesville.... 498
Craig, John....1244
Craig, John, Jr....1245
CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 434; reduction of area, 434; physical characteristics, 434; coal deposits, 434; oil production, 435; the pioneers, 435; early industries, 435; population and statistics, 435; schools, 436; justices, 436; Independence Day celebration, 436; churches, 436; villages, 440; associations, 440; biographical sketches....1083
Cranmer, Asaph N....1052
Cranmer, Asaph P....1052
Cratty, James....1254
Cratty, Thomas....1255
Crawford, Elder, M. D....1171
Criley, Joseph.... 783
Criley, Nicholas J.... 783

PAGE.

Criminal trials, early.... 140
Criner, John.... 929
Criner, William.... 930
Criner, Wilson P.... 930
Criswell, James (Clinton township).... 898
Criswell, James (Adams township)....1142
Criswell, John A....1143
Criswell, Joseph.... 809
Criswell, William....1142
Critchlow City.... 459
Critchlow, Frank P....1254
Critchlow, Rev. George W....1254
Critchlow, Henry C.... 915
Critchlow, James.... 220
Critchlow, Jesse.... 915
Critchlow, Thomas....1254
Croft, James A.... 941
Croft, Joseph.... 941
Croft, Lewis.... 941
Crooks, John M.... 931
Crooks, Samuel.... 931
Cross, Thomas and Samuel.... 46
Crowe, John....1129
Crowe, William P....1129
Cruikshank, Andrew.... 219
Cruikshank Family.... 487
Cumberland Presbyterians.... 594
Cummins, Joseph....1237
Cummins, Lycurgus R....1238
Cunningham, A. V., M. D....1085
Cunningham, David C.... 150
Cunningham brothers.... 300
Curry, James C....1235
Curry, John E....1235
Cushcushking.... 24
Cyclone of 1882.... 652
Cypher, John.... 852
Cypher, Martin.... 853
Cypher, Matthias.... 852
Cypher, Philip.... 853

D

Dale, David E.... 752
Dambach, Adam, Sr....1174
Dambach, Adam....1174
Dambach, Henry W....1174
Dambach, Jacob, Sr....1172
Dambach, Jacob, Jr....1173
Dambach, Jacob....1173
Dambach, John Nickolas....1172
Dambach, Nickolas....1172
Daniels (pioneer).... 46
Dann, W. H....1269
Danville.... 511
Darling, Alpheus.... 882
Daubenspeck, George....1327
Daubenspeck, Philip.... 778
Daugherty & Sons, W. H., Petrolia.... 549
David, Oliver.... 700
Davison, James....1148
Davison, James K....1148
Davison, William, Sr....1148
Davison, William....1149
Davis, Dr. C. H.... 168
Davis, Jeffrey.... 943
Davis, Morgan.... 828
Davis, Philip V.... 828

PAGE.
Davis, William, Jr..... 943
Davis, William J..... 943
Day, John.....1058
Decker, Horace.....1061
Decker, Rev. Isaac Davison.....1062
De Coliere, Dr. Henri..... 166
Deed Poll, 1804..... 138
Delano Station..... 493
Democratic Herald (Butler)..... 175
Democratic-Republicans in 1814..... 118
Dennison, John..... 46
Dennison, Walter A..... 972
Denny, Daniel..... 854
Denny, James..... 853
Denny, John..... 854
Denny, William..... 854
Depreciation Certificates..... 38
Depreciation Lands..... 38
De Wolf, E. Darwin.....1222
De Wolf, Eli G., M. D.....164, 1222
De Wolf, Henry..... 722
De Wolf, Dr. Henry C..... 163
De Wolf, Tensard Robinson, M. D., 163, 722
De Wolfe, Willard L., M. D..... 978
Dibell, David M..... 939
Dickey, John.....1215
Dickey, John W.....1215
Dight, Rev. John M.....1108
Dindinger, John.....1087
Dindinger, Lewis.....1086
Dindinger, William, sketch of.....1087
Dindinger, William, portrait of.....1105
DISTILLERIES.—370, 385, 431, 435, 483, 513, 557, 582, 602, 611, 648, 665..... 671
District Attorneys..... 130
Dittmer, M. B..... 847
Divener, Charles..... 960
Divener, George Henry..... 959
Dixon, James L..... 907
Dixon, Winfield Scott..... 908
Dobson, George..... 218
Dodds, Adam..... 904
Dodds, David B..... 904
Dodds, Findley B..... 904
Dodds, John..... 903
Dodds, William..... 903
Donaghy, James H.....1252
Donaghy, Joseph.....1252
Donaghy, Thomas..... 819
Donation Lands..... 38
DONEGAL TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 505; physical characteristics, 505; coal deposits, 505; pioneers and pioneer industries, 506; statistics and justices, 507; schools and teachers, 507; St. Patrick's parish, 507; the old log church, 509; St. Patrick's cemetery, 510; Lutheran and private cemeteries, 510; villages, 511; biographical sketches..... 945
Double, Joseph..... 961
Double, Prushey..... 960
Double, Zephaniah..... 960
Dougal, David, sketch of..... 684
Dougal, David, portrait of..... 41
Douglass, Andrew.....1106
Douglass, James H..... 772
Douglass, William C.....1106
Douthett, Allison J.....1123
Douthett, Benjamin.....1121
Douthett, David.....1122
Douthett, Hon. David B.....1123
Douthett, James M.....1123
Douthett, James M., Jr.....1123
Douthett, Joseph, Sr.....1121
Douthett, Joseph.....1122
Douthett, Marshall B.....1124
Douthett, William G..... 770
Downeyville..... 445
Drainage of the county..... 19
Dresher, Andrew..... 889
Dresher, William..... 889
Duffy, Charles, Sr..... 945
Duffy, Judge John.....140, 693
Duffy, Peter..... 693
Duffy farm, dispute over..... 40
Duffytown..... 328
Dufford, George Lewis.....1064
Dufford, Samuel.....1064
Duncan, Presley.....1146
Duncan, Robert.....1146
Dunlap, James, sketch of..... 692
Dunlap, James, portrait of..... 49
Dunn, Andrew..... 218
Du Panchell, Dr..... 165
Duplicate tax lists..... 95

E

Eakin, John.....1320
Eakin, Thomas.....1320
Earhart, Joseph.....1009
Early administration of justice..... 134
Early campaign methods..... 118
Early court proceedings..... 135
Early criminal trials..... 140
Early financial transactions..... 80
Early judges and lawyers..... 134
Early judges of the supreme court..... 138
Early justices of the peace..... 133
Early military history..... 217
Early mills, tanneries, etc., in Butler..... 366
Early roads.....94, 193
Early school laws..... 186
Ebensburg and Butler stage line..... 195
Eberhart, Andrew O..... 837
Eberhart, John..... 837
Eberhart Family..... 837
Economites, sale of their lands..... 398
Education, association for promotion of. 186
Efforts to organize a new county.....88, 92
Ehrman, George.....1178
Ehrman, John, Sr.....1177
Ehrman, John.....1177
Eichenlaub, Francis..... 846
Eichenlaub, Jacob..... 846
Eichenlaub, William..... 846
Eichholtz, William.....1091
Eidenau..... 401
Eighteenth Militia Regiment..... 257
Eisler, Edward W..... 785
Eisler, Martin..... 784
Eitenmiller, Henry..... 773
Ekastown..... 486
Ekin, John..... 47
El Dorado, or Glenora..... 669
Election, first general, in the county.... 116

PAGE.
Election of 1854, 121; of 1864..... 124
Election campaigns, 1856, etc..... 122
Election for state and county officers, 1854, 121; 1893..... 126
Electors from Butler county..... 128
Elevations of county..... 18
Eleventh Reserve..... 234
Ellenberger, Amos W.....1003
Ellenberger, Isaac.....1003
Ellenberger, John.....1002
Ellenberger, William.....1002
Elliott, Charles R..... 772
Elliott, John.....1067
Elliott, John A.....1067
Elliott, Joseph J..... 772
Elliott, Robert.....46, 482
Elliott, William and John..... 46
Elora..... 619
Emery Chapel, Ekastown..... 485
Emery, Joseph.....1040
Emery, Robert N.....1041
Emery, William.....1040
Emlenton Agricultural Society..... 206
Emmerling, Dr. Charles..... 167
Emrick, Andrew..... 842
Emrick, John..... 843
Emrick, Michael..... 842
Endres, Adam.....1119
Endres, Jacob.....1120
English, James.....1274
English, James Y.....1274
English, William F.....1274
Erection of county..... 74
Escape from jail..... 146
Euclid..... 572
Eureka Building and Loan Association. 364
Evangelical Association, Adams Tp.... 444
Evangelical Church, Bethesda, W. Sunbury..... 578
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCHES.—Brady township, 617; Buffalo township, 485; Butler (St. Mark's) 342—(English), 345; Centre township, 584; Concord township (Zion), 565—(Springdale), 565; Connoquenessing township (Petersville) 394; Cranberry township, 439; Evans City, 424; Jefferson township, (St. Lucas), 463; Lancaster township, 597; Millerstown, 524; Prospect, 593; Saxonburg, 473; Winfield township.... 490
Evangelical ProtestantChurch,German, Saxonburg..... 473
Evangelical Protestant United Church, German, Petersville..... 393
Evangelical Union Church, Evans City 424
Evangelical Zion Church, Winfield..... 490
EVANS CITY BOROUGH.—Location and early history, 417; population and statistics, 417; pioneers, 417; hotels, 417, 419; manufacturing industries, 419; the village of 1878, 420; postmasters, 420; merchants and banks, 420; schools, 421; councils and justices, 421; churches and cemeteries, 423; secret societies, 426; sketch of Capt. William Stewart, 426; biographical sketches.....1083
Evans City Cemetery Association..... 426
Evictions attempted..... 40
Excelsior Mutual Fire Ins. Co., N. Washington..... 658
Explorers..... 26
Eykes, Samuel.....1012

F

Fair and Festival (Butler)..... 179
FAIRVIEW BOROUGH.—Founding and growth of the village, 535; later business enterprises, 535; oil fever, 536; population, 536; schools and churches, 536; incorporation and officials, 538; postmasters and justices of the peace, 540; destructive fires, 540; secret societies, 540; biographical sketches..... 945
Fairview Deposit and Savings Bank.... 536
Fairview Pipe Line Co..... 291
Fairview Reporter.....182, 536
FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 530; boundary lines, 530; statistics, 530; first settlers, 530; churches, 531; early schools and teachers, 532; first officials and justices, 532; villages, 533; biographical sketches..... 945
Fanker, H. W.....1120
Farm statistics..... 210
Farmers' Alliance..... 210
Farmers' Institute..... 207
Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Co., Winfield township..... 493
Farmers' and Breeders' Mutual Live Stock Insurance Association..... 365
Farming and milling methods..... 73
Farmington..... 663
Faubel, J. H..... 782
Fauna of the county..... 22
Federal appointees from Butler county.. 128
Fees charged by early attorneys, etc.... 139
Feigel, Ferdinand..... 797
Feigel, Valentine..... 797
Felges, August.....1034
Felges, John.....1034
Fennelton..... 498
Ferguson, John (of Prospect)..... 829
Ferguson, John, sketch of..... 935
Ferguson, John, portrait of..... 945
Ferguson, Rolandus H..... 829
Ferguson, William..... 25
Ferris..... 664
Fiedler, Daniel, Sr.....1113
Fiedler, Daniel.....1113
Fiedler, Jacob.....1113
Fifty-sixth Militia Regiment..... 257
Fifty-eighth Militia Regiment..... 258
Financial transactions, early..... 80
Findley, David.....1042
Findley, John..... 807
Findley, Samuel, Sr.....1042
Findley, William C..... 722
Fire and flood in Karns City..... 553
Fires at Fairview, 540; at Greece City, 567; at Millerstown, 519; at Petrolia... 544
First borough officers, elections, etc., Butler..... 308
First burial place in the county..... 379
First children born in Butler..... 306

PAGE.

First court of common pleas and quarter sessions..... 135
First court-house.....110, 111
First general election..... 116
First merchant in Butler..... 321
First murder trial..... 140
First National Bank of Butler..... 361
First newspapers in Western Pennsylvania..... 172
First proceedings of county commissioners..... 93
First railroad meeting..... 197
First railroad survey..... 197
First sale of lots in Butler..... 303
First school-tax levy..... 186
First settlers..... 44
First steamboat up the Allegheny..... 195
First taverns in Butler..... 323
Fisher, Reuben.....1280
Fisher, Thomas.....1280
Fisher, Washington.....1280
Fleeger, Austin..... 967
Fleeger, Christian.....1067
Fleeger, Capt. George W..... 711
Fleeger, Jacob.....1067
Fleeger, Peter.....1068
Fleeger, Solomon..... 967
Fleming, Edward..... 998
Fleming, Robert..... 861
Fleming, Samuel (Buffalo township)..... 861
Fleming, Samuel (Venango township)..1319
Fleming, Samuel C.....1319
Fleming, Samuel H..... 861
Fleming, Thomas..... 861
Fleming, William..... 997
Fleming, William A..... 998
Flemming, Charles..... 859
Flemming, John H..... 859
Flick, Henry..... 927
Flick, Jacob..... 927
Flick, Jacob B..... 927
Flinner, John, Sr.....1201
Flinner, John 1202
Flinner, Phillip.....1202
Floods and storms..... 23
Flood of 1879 at Petrolia.....546, 553
Forest growth..... 22
Forest House..... 619
Forestville..... 636
Forquer, F. J..... 715
Forquer, W. A..... 714
Forrester, Joseph, M. D..... 726
Fort Stanwix, treaty of 1768..... 37
Fortieth Regiment, Eleventh Reserve.. 234
FORWARD TOWNSHIP. — Organization, 429; physical characteristics, 429; coal banks, 429; oil wells, 429; pioneers, 429; population and statistics, 431; mills and distilleries, 431; schools 431; justices, 432; churches, 432; postoffices, 434; biographical sketches.....1083
Fourteenth Cavalry..... 251
Fourteenth Militia Regiment..... 256
Fowler, Dr. David..... 168
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP.—Derivation of name, 586; organization, 586; a pastoral township, 586; oil wells and oil production, 586; township statistics, 586; justices of the peace, 586; first settlers, 587; schools and teachers, 588; religious societies, 588; Mount Chestnut, 589; biographical sketches.....1203
Frantz, Jacob..... 860
Frantz, John S..... 860
Frazier, James..... 874
Frazier, Thomas..... 874
Frazier, Thomas A..... 875
Frazier, Thomas W..... 874
Frederick, Edward G..... 968
Frederick, John Jacob..... 968
Frederick, P. G..... 981
Fredley, John..... 938
Free Methodist Church..... 350
Free Soilers and Laborites..... 121
Freeman's Journal (Butler)..... 175
French explorers..... 26
Fruhling, August..... 857
Fruhling, George..... 857
Fryer, Abraham..... 46
Fulton, James..... 46
Funerals in pioneer days..... 66

G

Gaertner, George.....1181
Gaisford, J. C..... 971
Galbraith, John (Revolutionary soldier) 217
Galbraith, John (founder of the Palladium).....151, 173
Galbraith, Joseph.....1068
Galbreath, James M..... 718
Galbreath, Robert, Sr..... 851
Galbreath, Robert..... 852
Galbreath, William..... 852
Gallagher, Andrew..... 850
Gallagher, Ferguson W.....1263
Gallagher, Hugh..... 850
Gallagher, James.....1262
Gallagher, John, Sr.....1262
Gallagher, John, Jr.....1262
Gallagher, John.....1263
Gallagher, Joshua.....1264
Gallagher, Thomas.....1263
Gallagher, William..... 850
Gansz, Lewis, Sr.....1099
Gansz, Lewis.....1100
Gapen, Stephen..... 299
Garfield mine, Cherry township..... 651
Garvin, Alexander.....1163
Garvin, Benjamin.....1165
Garvin, Benjamin W.....1165
Garvin, David, Sr.....1163
Garvin, David.....1164
Garvin, James Wallace.....1163
Garvin, Newton, sketch of.....1165
Garvin, Newton, portrait of..... 1169
Garvin, William, Sr.....1165
Garvin, William 1166
Garvin, Wilson.....1164
Gas Field, Butler [See Butler gas field].
Gelbach, Henry.....1130
Gelbach, John A.....1131
Gelbach, Philip, sketch of.....1130
Gelbach, Philip, portrait of..... 441
Gelbach, Philip D.....1130
Gelbach, William H.....1131

PAGE.
General election, first 116
Geographical center of the county 18
Geological structure of the county 20
German Evangelical Church of Harmony 416
German Mutual Fire Ins. Co. of Zelienople 403
German National Bank, Millerstown 518
Germich, Dr. 165
Gettys, Dr. George W 166
Gibson, Eli L 1331
Gibson, Harvey S 822
Gibson, James, Sr 25, 996
Gibson, James 1331
Gibson, James W 1054
Gibson, John 912
Gibson, John, Alex., James and Hugh (pioneers) 25
Gibson, Levi 997
Gibson, Robert 912
Gibson, William 997
Giesler, Jacob 857
Giesler, William 858
Gill, Cornelius 1213
Gill, David 1214
Gill, Hiram M 1214
Gill, William 219
Gillespie, Hamilton 937
Gillespie, William J 937
Gilmore, Hon. Alfred 154
Gilmore, John 139, 150
Gilmore, Hon. Samuel A 153
Girty, John 46
Girty Family 46
Glade Mills 451
Glade Mills Mutual Fire Insurance Co 451
Gleason, Dr. 166
Glenn, Andrew 1251
Glenn, James C 1045
Glenn, John 1045
Glenn, Robert 1250
Glenn, Robert F 1251
Glenn, Samuel 1045
Glenn Family 1044
Glenora, or El Dorado 669
Glossner, Jacob W 1009
Glover, James 45, 218
Goehring, Charles 1167
Goehring, Charles F 1168
Goehring, Edwin E 1170
Goehring, Elias 1169
Goehring, Gellert 1170
Goehring, George 1169
Goehring, Harvey 1170
Goehring, Henry 1168
Goehring, Joseph 1169
Goehring, William 1168
Goehring, William Henry 1167
Goetz, John 371, 797
Gold Fever of 1849-52 70
Golden City 465
Gomersal 651
Goodall, Dr. 165
Gormley, Cornelius 1314
Gormley, John H 1314
Gormley, Michael 1314
Goucher, H. H., sketch of 716
Goucher, H. H., portrait of 353

PAGE.
Graham, Albert G 1161
Graham, Alexander 1185
Graham, Daniel 218, 1185
Graham, Ebenezer 771
Graham, Edward 46
Graham, Elmer E 892
Graham, George H 999
Graham, Hart W. F 771
Graham, Dr. James 165
Graham, James H., Sr 1160
Graham, James H 909
Graham, John (lawyer) 155
Graham, John (Butler) 732
Graham, John (Parker township) 999
Graham, John Newton 1161
Graham, Joseph 871
Graham, Matthew, Sr 1159
Graham, Matthew, Jr 1160
Graham, Oliver H. P 1162
Graham, Orin Palmer 1162
Graham, Patrick 460, 871
Graham, Robert, Sr 384, 731
Graham, Robert 908
Graham, Samuel, M. D 723
Graham, Samuel (Allegheny township) 671, 999
Graham, Samuel (Cranberry township) 1160
Graham, Thomas 1185
Graham, Thomas J 908
Graham, Walter L 157, 732
Graham, William 1161
Graham, William B 871
Graham, William S 764
Graham, Wilson W 908
"Grand Hunts" 71
Grand jury empanelled in 1804 137
Grant of Pennsylvania to William Penn 36
Gray, James C 894
Great Belt 465
Greece City 566
Green, John 219
Greer postoffice 511
Greer, Hon. John Morgan, sketches of 150, 707
Greer, Hon. John Morgan, portrait of 153
Greer, Matthew 863
Greer, Matthew N 863
Greer, Thomas 862
Gregg, Robert J 788
Gregg, William S 788
Grieb, Francis X 750
Grieb, Henry 750
Grieb, John R 750
Griesbach, Gustave 1110
Griffith, H. P 1226
Grine, W. H 1226
Grossman, Benedict 1241
Grossman, Hugh C 1241
Grossman, Hugh H 1242
Grossman, Simon 1241
Grove, Absolom 769
Grove, William H 769
Gubernatorial election, 1854 122

H

Hale, Isaac 69
Hall, Cyrus W 1152
Hall, Enoch 1176

PAGE.

Hall, Isaac A....1287
Hall, James....46
Hall, Jesse....1287
Hall, John....1152, 1175
Hallstein, Frederick....1095
Hallstein, Henry A....1096
Hallston....619
Halstead, Henry....900
Halstead, Henry H....900
Halstead, John....900
Hamilton Bottle Works....368
Hannahstown....464
Harbison, James (Buffalo township)....865
Harbison, James (pioneer)....46, 925
Harbison, James D....932
Harbison, John (Indian scout)....45, 219
Harbison, John and Massy....482
Harbison, Robert (Jefferson township)....906
Harbison, Robert (Middlesex township)....926
Harbison, Robert H....907
Harbison, Thomas....865
Harbison, William....217
Harbison, William J....932
Harbison-Monk's celebrated case....145
Harbison's story, Massy....32
Hardman, W. V....823
HARMONY BOROUGH.—Founding of the village, 409; George Rapp, 409; the Harmonist Society, 410; sale of the property, 411; removal to Indiana, 411; return to Pennsylvania, 411; present status, 411; secular Harmony, 411; population and statistics, 412; manufacturing industries, 412; hotels and business houses, 413; banks, 413; postmasters and justices, 414; burgesses and councilmen, 414; schools, 415; churches, 415; the first cemetery, 416; secret societies, 416; biographical sketches....1083
Harmony National Bank....413
Harmony Savings Bank....413
Harmonist Society....138, 410
Harper, Andrew....1118
Harper, Cyrus B....1118
Harper, John H....774
Harper, Robert M....774
Harper, Thomas....1118
Harris, Ephraim....636
HARRISVILLE BOROUGH.—Founding of the town, 636; Col. Robert Reed's addition, 636; early business enterprises, 637; schools, 637; Harrisville in 1865, 637; hotels, mills and merchants, 638; borough officials, 638; burgesses and justices of the peace, 638; churches, 639; secret societies, 640; biographical sketches....1203
Hartenstein, Henry....884
Hartenstein, Lewis....885
Hartman, Hon. Joseph, sketch of....744
Hartman, Hon. Joseph, portrait of....745
Hartman, Philip....219, 945
Hartman, William....945
Hartung, Casper....839
Hartung, John....839
Hartzell, Jacob....918
Hartzell, Jonas....918

PAGE.

Hartzell, Jonas S....918
Harvest Home....398
Harvey, Patrick....45, 476
Haslett, Charles....738
Haslett, William....154, 178, 737
Hauck, Joseph....785
Hauck, William A....785
Hawn, William C....1014
Hays, E. F....970
Hays, Evert R....944
Hays, George....46
Hays, Joseph....944
Hays, Robert (Fairview)....1012
Hays, Robert (Connoquenessing)....1191
Hays, Robert S....1191
Hays, Samuel....1191
Hays, Thomas....1012
Hays, Valentine....969
Haysville....534
Hazen, Hon. Aaron Lyle....149, 706
Hazlett, James....1138
Hazlett, John....1109
Hazlett, Leslie P....1138
Hazlett mill, Winfield....489
Hazlett, Robert....1109
Hazlett, Samuel W....1109
Heberling, Henry....1270
Heberling, Jacob....1269
Heck, Daniel, Sr....1078
Heck, Daniel....1029
Heck, Daniel A....770
Heck, Peter....1029
Heckart, Francis....864
Heckart, Michael....864
Heckart, Michael S....864
Heineman, Charles M....807
Heineman, Henry C....806
Heinzer, Joseph....847
Heller, George J. C....883
Helmbold, Ernest A....886
Helmbold, John G....886
Helmbold, Louis A....887
Helmbold, Theodore, sketch of....887
Helmbold, Theodore, portrait of....889
Hemphill, James....506
Hemphill, James, Adam and John....46
Henry, Joseph....1186
Henry, Peter....1186
Henry, Robert S....1187
Herald, The, Millerstown....182, 515
Herman Station....504
Heron, William....1004
Herr, Charles E....805
Hespenheide, Christopher F....1157
Hespenheide, Frank W....1158
Hespenheide, Henry F....1157
Hespenheide, John H....1157
Hespenheide, William....1157
Hicks, William....449
Higgins Corners....659
Hilliard, George L....1010
Hilliard, Jacob....220, 1295
Hilliard, John....1296
Hilliard, Peter P....1296
Hilliard, Philip....1296
Hilliard Brothers....1296
Hilliard Station....658
Hindman, John....1053

PAGE.
Hindman, Thomas....1053
Hoch, Adolphus A.... 965
Hoch, Augustus.... 965
Hoch, Martin.... 964
Hockenberry, Casper, Sr....1246
Hockenberry, Casper....1246
Hockenberry, Harvey D....1063
Hockenberry, John....1063
Hockenberry, John, Sr....1246
Hockenberry, Joseph....1246
Hockenberry, Robert....1063
Hockenberry, William....1247
Hogan, Ben, the evangelist preacher... 543
Holreu (Allegheny river).... 20
Holman, Dr. Albert....1075
Home Natural Gas Co.... 375
Hooks, Blair.... 827
Hooks City.... 669
Hoon, Henry....1075
Hoon, John....1075
Hoon, Thomas R., sketch of....1076
Hoon, Thomas R., portrait of....1073
Hoover, David L.... 867
Hoover, N. M., M. D....168, 724
Howard, Dr. Lyman L.... 167
Huff, Frank J.... 768
Hughes, James W.... 795
Hughes, John C.... 795
Hughes, Richard, Sr.... 786
Hughes, Richard.... 786
Hultz, William.... 46
Humes, Patrick....1156
Humes, William....1156
Humphrey, David W., Sr....1237
Humphrey, David W....1237
Humphrey, John....1239
Humphrey, Robert G....1227
Humphrey, Thomas....1238
Humphrey, William, Sr....1238
Humphrey, William....1268
Humphrey, William M....1227
Hunter, Alexander....1132
Hunter, Alexander D....1133
Hunter, William....1132
Hunter, William W....1133
Hunting reminiscence.... 671
Hunts of 1820, 1828, etc.... 71
Huselton, John.... 813
Huselton, John F.... 813
Huselton, Stephen H.... 814
Hutchison, George....1019
Hutchison, James W.... 721
Hutchison, John....1019
Hutchison, Miller....1058
Hutchison, William....1018
Hutchison, William J....1019
Hutchison, William M....1020

I

Ifft, George, Sr....1103
Ifft, George....1104
Ifft, Henry J....1103
Ifft, John N....1104
Imbrie, Rev. David....1236
Imbrie, Rev. David Reed....1236
Imbrie, Rev. John J....1236
Improvements on court-house, 1877.... 112

PAGE.
Incidents of pioneer medical practice... 162
Independent Natural Gas Co.... 375
Indians and Indian towns, 24; Corn-planters, 25; Delawares, 25, 44; Senecas and Shawnees.... 25
Indian attack on the English colonists, 37; uprising, defeat and submission.. 39
Indian towns, camps and trails, 24; treaties, 36; villages, 24; wars.... 37
Institute Hill.... 328
"Intellectual Fair".... 189
Internal improvements.... 193
Iron City.... 534
Irvine, John....1148
Irvine, Wellington A....1148
Irvine, William, M. D....168, 1100
Irwin, Archibald....1125
Irwin, George W., sketch of....1126
Irwin, George W., portrait of.... 433
Irwin, John A., sketch of....1126
Irwin, John A., portrait of.... 465
Item, The (Greece City).... 182
Itinerant school teachers.... 185

J

Jack, Benjamin.... 780
Jack, John S.... 780
Jackson, John D.... 766
JACKSON TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 396; physical characteristics, 396; pioneers, 397; population and assessment, 398; Harvest Home, 398; the Harmonists' estate, 398; early industries, 399; schools, 400; justices of the peace, 400; villages, 400; biographical sketches...1083
Jail delivery.... 146
Jameson, James....1000
Jameson, John.... 219
Jameson, Thomas, sketch of....1000
Jameson, Thomas, portrait of....1001
Jamisonville....572
Jefferson Centre.... 465
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 460; physical characteristics, 460; coal deposits, 460; gas wells, 460; game, 460; pioneers, 460; population and statistics, 461; early industries, 461; schools, 462; justices, 462; churches, 462; Concordia Orphans' Home, 464; villages, 464; biographical sketches.... 831
Jeffersonville.... 499
Jenkins, Edmund....1298
Johnson, Charles H.... 970
Johnston, Benjamin....1077
Johnston, David C....1140
Johnston, Jesse....1077
Johnston, John.... 218
Johnston, John Nevin.... 828
Johnston, Stephen A., D. D. S.... 727
Johnston, Thornley C....1077
Jolly, Thomas, Sr....1316
Jolly, Thomas, Jr....1317
Jolly, Capt. Thomas....1317
Jones, Caleb....487, 488
Judges and lawyers, early.... 134
Judges of the supreme court, early.... 138
Judicial apportionment of 1893.... 126

PAGE.

Judicial contests of 1874 and 1884..... 144
Judicial districts, Butler Co., assigned to 116
Jury Commissioners..... 131
Justices of the Peace, early..... 133

K

Kamerer, Adam..... 813
Kamerer, Daniel L..... 987
Kamerer, Samuel H..... 988
KARNS CITY BOROUGH.—Early history, 551; the celebrated McClymonds farm, 551; the town named, 552; rapid growth, 552; incorporation, 552; population, 552; postmasters, 552; present business interests, 552; fire and flood, 553; borough officials, 553; schools, 554; churches, 554; secret societies, 555; biographical sketches..... 945
Karns City Item..... 182
Karns, James..... 834
Karns, James R..... 834
Karns, S. D..... 551
Karns, William..... 834
Kaskaskunk..... 24
Kearns, William.....46, 383
Keasey, George W..... 858
Keasey, Henry..... 858
Keasey, Henry C..... 859
Keasey, Webster..... 859
Keck, Jacob, sketch of..... 756
Keck, Jacob, portrait of..... 321
Kelly, Archibald.....665, 1324
Kelly, David.....1325
Kelly, David Porter.....1325
Kelly, Elmer E..... 830
Kelly, James.....1324
Kelly, John C..... 835
Kelly, John T..... 809
Kelly, Richard..... 810
Kelly, Samuel..... 835
Kelly, Thomas.....1324
Kelly, Thomas, Jr.....1297
Kelly, Thomas W.....1325
Kemper, Bernard..... 761
Kemper, Frank..... 761
Kemper, Joseph..... 760
Kennedy, Charles H..... 798
Kennedy, Daniel.....1260
Kennedy, David.....1259
Kennedy, David R.....1259
Kennedy, John, Sr. (pioneer).....219, 905
Kennedy, John (Penn township)..... 905
Kennedy, John (Adams township).....1146
Kennedy, John Q. A., sketch of..... 818
Kennedy, John Q. A., portrait of..... 825
Kennedy, Robert.....1259
Kennedy, Thomas.....1146
Kennedy, Thomas P.....1260
Kennedy, William..... 906
Kennedy, William M..... 787
Kensington Furnace..... 673
Kepple, Isaac.....1004
Kerr, Hon. James.....1232
Kerr, James H.....1313
Kerr, John.....1313
Kerr, Joseph.....1313
Kerr, William.....1314

PAGE.

Kesselman, William..... 794
Kesselman & Co., William..... 370
Ketterer, George..... 762
Kidd, Hugh.....1149
Kidd, Robert.....1149
Kiester, village of..... 623
Kiester, Jacob.....1210
Kiester, Jacob Shaffer.....1210
Kiester, Jesse.....1211
Kiester, John.....1210
Kiester, Paul.....1211
Kiester, Philip.....1209
King, Daniel S.....1001
King, George.....1001
King, John H.....1002
Kingan, James..... 933
Kingan, Samuel J..... 934
Kirker, James W..... 157
Kirkpatrick, David L..... 919
Kittanning, attack on..... 37
Kline, John W.....1099
Klingler Family..... 738
Klingler, Charles Washington..... 742
Klingler, Frederick Julius..... 742
Klingler, Harry Samuel..... 741
Klingler, Hermann Julius, sketch of.... 739
Klingler, Hermann Julius, portrait of.. 273
Klingler, Rev. Paul Gerhardt..... 742
Knauff, Adam Henry.....1136
Knauff, Hartman.....1135
Knauff, Henry.....1177
Knauff, John.....1136
Knoch, Herman..... 880
Knoch, John..... 879
Knoch, William H..... 880
Know Nothing party..... 121
Koch, Charles..... 758
Koch, Frank W..... 758
Koch, John G..... 758
Koegler, Herman G..... 885
Kohler, Frank X..... 719
Kohler, Gabriel..... 718
Kopp, John..... 798
Kradel, Adam..... 848
Kradel, John..... 848
Krause, Alphonso..... 855
Krause, Lewis A..... 854
Krause, Robert, sketch of..... 855
Krause, Robert, portrait of..... 857
Krause, Thielo..... 856
Kribbs, Rev. J. A.....1088
Krumpe, W. A..... 897
Kuhn, Henry.....1039
Kuhn, McAllister.....1040

L

La Belle Riviere (Allegheny river)..... 20
Labor's Voice (Martinsburg)..... 183
Lafayette's visit to Butler..... 324
LANCASTER TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 595; pioneers, 595; population and statistics, 596; schools, 596; justices of the peace, 596; churches, 597; Middle Lancaster, 598; Oilbronn, 599; biographical sketches.....1083
Land claim difficulties..... 65
Land title disputes..... 40

PAGE.
Land warrants..... 39
Lane, James T..... 156
Lane, Joseph.....1033
Lane, Stephen.....1033
Lang, Henry..... 895
Langhorst, Charles.....1155
Lardin, Thomas and Daniel.....477, 480
Lardintown..... 480
Larkin & Company..... 370
Lasher, Abraham, mill of..... 513
Lasher, Weston W., M. D..... 8'1
Latitude and Longitude of county..... 18
Laube, Francis, Sr..... 888
Laube, Francis..... 889
Lawall, John..... 787
Leasure, Abraham..... 220
Leasure, A. W..... 869
Leasureville..... 491
Lee, Hugh, case of..... 119
Lefever, Isaac, Sr..... 877
Lefever, Isaac..... 877
Lefever, Jesse..... 877
Lefevre, John, Sr..... 860
Lefevre, John..... 799
Leise, Frederick.....1179
Leise, John.....1179
Leithold, Edward George..... 851
Leithold, William..... 851
Leota..... 465
Liberty party..... 120
Licenses, early tavern..... 67
Life, Protective, Savings and Loan Association, Millerstown..... 518
Lincoln's death, notice of..... 106
Lindsey, Thomas..... 842
Lindsey, William..... 842
Linn, Dr. George..... 164
Linn, Dr. H. C..... 165
Linnenbruck, Dr..... 165
Liquor traffic, regulation of..... 211
Literary activity in Western Pennsylvania..... 172
Locke, David.....1245
Logan, Benjamin B..... 879
Logan, Calvin..... 878
Logan, David..... 877
Logan, David H..... 878
Logan, Joseph, Sr..... 877
Logan, Joseph..... 878
Logan, Joseph D..... 879
Logan, Levi..... 878
Logan, William J..... 974
Log cabin days..... 43
Logstown..... 24
Lonitz, Henry J..... 881
Lottery of land.....38, 66
Loudon, John Montgomery.....1054
Loudon, Capt. Samuel.....1053
Love, George..... 897
Love, H. W..... 896
Love, James..... 897
Love, Samuel M..... 896
Love, William, Sr..... 896
Love, William..... 896
Lowman, Dr. William..... 165
Lowrie, John.....670, 674
Lowrie, Hon. Walter, sketch of..... 674
Lowrie, Hon. Walter, portrait of..... 17
PAGE.
Lowrie, Hon. Walter, marriage of..... 67
Lowrie, Walter H..... 154
Lowry, Col. Alexander..... 746
Lowry, Porter W..... 746
Lusk, Amos, M. D., sketches of....167, 1083
Lusk, Amos, M. D., portrait of..... 401
Lusk, Amos M.....1084
Lusk, Dr. Joseph S..... 167
Lusk, Loring, M. D.....164, 1083
Lusk, W. H..... 717
Lutheran cemetery, Donegal..... 510
LUTHERAN CHURCHES.—[See also Evangelical, and other, Lutheran Churches]—Butler (Grace), 346; Clearfield township (English), 497; Connoquenessing township (St. Paul's Reformed), 393; Evans City, 424; Fairview (German), 536—(St. Peter's), 537; Lancaster township (German) 597—(English), 598; Prospect (German Reformed and Lutheran) 593; Summit township (German), 504; Washington township (N. Washington) 655; Winfield township (German), 490; Zelienople (German), 406—(English)..... 407

Mc

McAdoo, George K., M. D.....1290
McAlpine, Volney..... 727
McAnallen, Joseph.....1048
McAnallen, Patrick.....1048
McAnallen, William A.....1048
McBride, Alexander S..... 771
McBride, Cornelius..... 849
McBride, Col. Francis..... 152
McBride, Francis P..... 849
McBride, Isaiah J..... 772
McBride, Patrick..... 849
McBride, Paul J..... 830
McBride, Samuel..... 926
McBride, Thomas J..... 830
McBride City..... 459
McCafferty, Charles.....1328
McCafferty, John.....1328
McCafferty, William J..... 782
McCalmont, Rev. David T..... 935
McCandless Family.....582, 1069
McCandless, Anderson.....1070
McCandless, Hon. Charles, sketches of.148, 703
McCandless, Hon. Charles, portrait of.. 113
McCandless, George..... 1069
McCandless, Isaiah J., sketch of..... 822
McCandless, Isaiah J., portrait of..... 337
McCandless, James.....1069
McCandless, Sheriff John.....136, 1069
McCandless, John.....47, 587
McCandless, John F.....1070
McCandless, John M.....1071
McCandless, Josiah, M. D.....166, 934
McCandless, Nathan F.....1071
McCandless, Porter A.....1070
McCandless, William.....1069
McCandless, William C., M. D., sketch of. 935
McCandless, William C., M. D., portrait. 937
McCandless, William C.....1069
McCandless, William H.....1070
McCandless, William L.....1072

PAGE.

McClung, Charles, Sr....1047
McClung, Charles....1048
McClung, Charles H....1048
McClymonds, H. S., M. D.... 919
McClymonds, Prof. Isaac M....1224
McCollough, Andrew White, sketch of.. 819
McCollough, Andrew White, portrait of. 297
McCollough, David.... 984
McCollough, David S.... 986
McCollough, Elmer S.... 985
McCollough, Henry C.... 987
McCollough, James.... 983
McCollough, James Mylet.... 984
McCollough, Capt. John....218, 983
McCollough, John C.... 985
McCollough, Matthew, Sr....1239
McCollough, Matthew....1240
McCollough, Peter.... 986
McCollough, Richard J.... 985
McCollough, Samuel W.... 985
McCollough, William S.... 984
McConnell, Daniel and William.... 46
McCoy, Hiram C....1284
McCoy, John.... 1220
McCoy, John F....1285
McCoy, Joseph....1284
McCoy, Robert....1220
McCoy, Thomas....1220
McCoy, William T....1013
McCrum, Alexander....1155
McCrum, Francis....1154
McCune, William D., M. D....1290
McCurdy, Dr. R. L.... 168
McDermitt, Arcus.... 156
McDermott, Paul.... 990
McDermott, Robert.... 991
McDermott, Robert Ross.... 991
McDowell, John....1316
McDowell, Patrick, Sr....220, 1316
McDowell, Patrick....1316
McFadden, Carlisle....1315
McFadden, John....1315
McFann, Levi R.... 943
McFarland, A. B. C.... 721
McFate, Robert....1219
McFate, Robert A....1219
McGarvey, John J....1232
McGarvey, William....1231
McGill, George E....1007
McGinley, John....1021
McGinley, J. F. P....1023
McGinley, Michael. Sr....1022
McGinley, Michael....1022
McGonegal, John....1228
McGuffin, Hon. Lawrence L....143, 148
McHenry, Dr. J.... 164
McIntosh, Kenneth....1006
McIntyre, John.... 867
McIntyre, Nathaniel.... 868
McJunkin family.... 582
McJunkin, David....1066
McJunkin, Hon. Ebenezer, sketches.148, 702
McJunkin, Hon. Ebenezer, portrait of.. 129
McJunkin, Ira.... 736
McJunkin, Dr. Isaiah.... 165
McJunkin, James....1042
McJunkin, James T.... 735
McJunkin, Hon. J. David, sketch of.... 710

PAGE.

McJunkin, Hon. J. David, portrait of... 257
McJunkin, John R.... 1043
McJunkin, John W....1043
McJunkin, Loyal S.... 736
McJunkin, William....1066
McKee, Andrew.... 65
McKee, Camdon....1300
McKee, Hugh.... 694
McKee, James....46, 384, 832
McKee, James A.... 806
McKee, Col. James Cooper, sketch of... 694
McKee, Col. James Cooper, portrait of.. 225
McKee, John, James and Hugh.... 620
McKee, Rev. John S.... 801
McKee, J. W.... 793
McKee, Joseph W.... 891
KcKee, Robert.... 806
McKee, Thomas....218, 384, 831
McKim, H. G....1090
McKinney, Peter....45, 219, 429
McLaughlin, Daniel G.... 989
McLaughlin, John.... 988
McLaughlin, Patrick.... 988
McLeod, John.... 218
McMarlin, James A.... 1145
McMarlin, William.... 1144
McMichael, Dr. Josiah.... 167
McNair, Dunning.... 47
McNamee, Francis....1322
McNamee, John....1321
McNees, William.... 46
McPherrin, Rev. John.... 680
McQuistion, Charles F. L.... 812
McQuistion, James.... 833
McQuistion, James P....1252
McQuistion, John....384, 832
McQuistion, Livingston, sketch of.... 712
McQuistion, Livingston, portrait of.... 305
McQuistion, Robert H.... 833
McQuistion, William.... 712

M

Mackey, Prof. Ebenezer.... 802
Magee, James, Sr....397, 1147
Magee, James....1147
Magee, James D....1147
Magee, John....1147
Magic.... 563
Magnet, The (Butler High School).... 181
Magoffin, Dr. Beriah.... 164
Magoffin, Dr. Beriah, advertisement of.. 164
Mahan, John B.... 936
Mahan, Randall Ross.... 936
Mahan, Shaffer.... 936
Mahan, William A.... 937
Maharg.... 457
Mahood, James....1295
Mahood, James A....1295
Mahood, John....1295
Maltby, Albert E., M. D....1223
Mangold, John.... 870
Mangold, Peter.... 776
Manny, John C.... 785
Manny, Joseph F.... 786
Map of Butler county.... 17
Maple Furnace.... 673
Marburger, George, Sr....1137

PAGE.
Marburger, George....1137
Marburger, John....1138
MARION TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 641; physical and geological characteristics, 641; coal deposits, 641; oil sands and elevations, 641; population and statistics, 642; pioneers, 642; past and present industries, 643; schools, 644; justices of the peace, 644; villages, 644; churches, 645; biographical sketches....1281
Markel, Daniel....1112
Markel, Zeno....1111
Marks, Dr. Samuel.... 168
Marks, William.... 934
Marks, William J., sketch of.... 934
Marks, William J., portrait of.... 929
Mars.... 444
Marsh, Abraham.... 915
Marsh, George.... 915
Marshall, David....1268
Marshall, George....1135
Marshall, James 909
Marshall, James M....1268
Marshall, John D.... 722
Marshall, Robert J....1135
Marshall, Hon. Samuel....1145
Marshall, Samuel J....1135
Marshall, Thomas M.... 155
Marshall, William M....1135
Martin, Abram....1024
Martin, James (Penn township).... 906
Martin, James (Oakland township)....1024
Martin, Robert.... 906
Martin, Thomas....46, 220
Martinsburg.... 667
Masseth, Benjamin.... 794
Masseth & Black.... 371
Mates, Amos.... 917
Mates, James B.... 719
Maurhoff, Emil.... 887
Maurhoff, George W.... 887
Maxwell, Abraham, shooting of.... 40
Maxwell, George....1223
Maxwell, James....1011
Maxwell, James J....1011
May, Eli.... 787
May, Henry....1140
Maybury, Jonathan, Sr....1221
Maybury, Jonathan....1221
Meals, George....653, 1292
Meals, Isaac.... 812
Meals, Joseph G....1293
Meals, Samuel....1292
Mechanics Building and Loan Ass'n.... 365
Mechanicsburg.... 613
Mechling, Jacob, Sr.... 729
Mechling, Jacob, Jr.... 730
Mechling, John, Sr....1043
Mechling, John....1044
Mechling, Joseph B.... 836
Mechling, Simon.... 730
Mechling, William....1044
Mechling, Col. William T.... 731
Medical Association.... 170
Medical profession, The.... 162
Meeder, George....1179
Melissadale.... 492

PAGE.
Melvin, David R....1277
Melvin, Philip....1277
Mennonite Church.... 415
MERCER TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 634; population and statistics, 634; pioneers, 634; enterprises, 635; schools, 635; justices of the peace, 636; Forestville, 636; biographical sketches....1203
Mershimer, Adam....1059
Mershimer, Samuel S....1059
Mershimer, Sebastian....1059
Mershimer, Zelman R....1059
Mershon, Dr. E. B.... 889
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.—Adams township (Mars), 444; Allegheny township (Maple Furnace), 672—(Grant) 672; Brady township ("Hall's Church"), 617—(West Liberty), 617; Buffalo township (Emery Chapel), 485; Butler, 346—(Free), 350; Centreville, 631; Cherry township (Anandale), 650; Clearfield township (Fennelton), 497; Concord township, 565; Connoquenessing township, 393; Cranberry township (Dutilth), 439; Evans City, 425; Fairview, 538; Forward township (Richmond), 432—(Brownsdale), 433—(Petersville), 433; Jefferson township (Great Belt), 464; Harmony, 416; Harrisville, 640; Karns City, 554; Lancaster township, 598; Middlesex township, 450; Millerstown, 525; Parker township (Martinsburg), 668; Penn township (Thorn Creek), 456—(Renfrew), 456; Petrolia borough, 547; Prospect (Bethel), 594; Sippery Rock township (Hickory Mills), 622; Venango township (Farmington), 662; Washington township (North Hope), 655; West Sunbury, 578; Winfield township (Knox), 489—(Fisk's), 490; Zelienople (Monroe Chapel).... 408
Methodist Protestant Church, Winfield.. 491
Metz, Annas....1157
Metz, Christian....1157
Mexican War, Butler county in the.... 225
Middle Lancaster.... 598
MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 446; reduction of area, 446; physical characteristics, 446; coal deposits, 446; oil production, 446; population, 446; pioneers, 447; first election, 448; justices of the peace, 448; schools and churches, 448; cemeteries, 450; villages and industries, 451; biographical sketches.... 831
Middletown.... 566
Midwifery in early days.... 163
Milford, James....1312
Milford, Samuel F....1313
Military history, early.... 217
MILITIA.—Organization of, at the outbreak of the war of 1812, 220; volunteers in the Mexican war, 225; pioneer militia organizations, 226; militia musters, 227; militia elections, June, 1854, 228; Militia Act of 1887.... 229
Militia celebration.... 69

PAGE.

Militia companies, Butler county..... 226
Miller, Alfred.....1057
Miller, Dr. George..... 163
Miller, George..... 763
Miller, Dr. Gottlieb..... 165
Miller, Henry (Butler)..... 773
Miller, Henry (Clay township).....1047
Miller, Jacob.....1136
Miller, James H..... 763
Miller, John B.....1136
Miller, John M.....1137
Miller, John N.....1101
Miller, Milton..... 923
Miller, Robert..... 933
Miller, Silas..... 47
Miller, William (Butler)..... 773
Miller, William (Middlesex township)... 933
Miller, William F..... 800
Miller, William H..... 800
MILLERSTOWN BOROUGH.—Derivation of name, 512; first settlers, 512; physical characteristics, 513; population, 513; early business interests, 513; later growth and development, 515; hotels, 516; business companies and corporations, 517; fires and fire companies, 519; postmasters and justices, 521; borough councils, 521; schools, 523; churches and cemeteries, 524; secret societies, 526; review, 529; biographical sketches..... 945
Millerstown Deposit Bank..... 518
Millerstown Fair Association..... 209
Millerstown Herald..... .....182, 515
Millerstown Oil Exchange..... 517
Millerstown Review.....182, 515
Millerstown Saving Bank Association.. 518
MILLS.—366, 385, 391, 399, 412, 417, 419, 431, 435, 451, 454, 461, 470, 483, 488, 500, 513, 557, 561, 563, 570, 573, 591, 602, 611, 616, 621, 635, 638, 642, 643, 648, 651, 658, 660..... 666
Mineral wealth of the county..... 22
Mirror and News (Prospect)..... 183
Miscellaneous commands during the Civil war..... 259
Miscellaneous transactions of county commissioners..... 95
Mitchell, Alexander..... 715
Mitchell, James, Sr..... 841
Mitchell, Judge James..... 841
Mitchell, John..... 766
Mitchell, Hon. John H., sketches of..158, 704
Mitchell, Hon. John H., portrait of..... 161
Mitchell, Lewis Z..... 155
Modification of township lines..... 91
Modoc City 567
Mohawk, Samuel, the murderer..... 141
Moniteau..... 652
Monks, Absalom, Sr..... 928
Monks, Absalom..... 928
Monks, Martin..... 928
Monnie, Charles H.....1035
Monnie, Frederick H.....1036
Monroe Station..... 486
Monroeville.... 486
Montgomery, John (Clinton township).. 899
Montgomery, John (Armstrong county).1036

PAGE.

Montgomery, John T.....1037
Montgomery, Samuel..... 899
Montgomery, Stewart..... 899
Moore, Aaron.....47, 587
Moore, Andrew.....1026
Moore, Andrew G.....1027
Moore, Charles.....1272
Moore, Eli J.....1272
Moore, Isaac.....1270
Moore, Prof. Isaac Newton.....1224
Moore, J. Emerson.. ... .1027
Moore, James.....1027
Moore, James N..... 718
Moore, Hon. Jesse.....135, 137, 138, 147, 211
Moore, John, Sr.....1242
Moore, John.....1243
Moore, John C.....1271
Moore, Martin V..... 942
Moore, Matthew..... 942
Moore, Robert.....1273
Moore, Samuel, Sr.....1270
Moore, Samuel.....1271
Moore, Samuel H.....1243
Moore, Samuel W.....1271
Moore, Thomas.....1242
Moore, William.....1242
Moore, William S.....1272
Moorhead, David..... 487
Mormonism in the county.....69, 403
Morris, Robert.....40, 299
Morrison, Charles W..... 901
Morrison, William..... 901
Morrow, Andrew J..... 1322
Morrow, Hamilton.....1322
Morrow, John..... 959
Morrow, Robert..... 959
Morrow tannery, Prospect..... 591
Mortland, Alexander.....1308
Mortland, Newton.....1309
Mortland, William.....1308
Moser, John..... ... 220
Mount Chestnut..... 589
Mount Etna..... 623
Mount Olive Evangelical Church, Allegheny township..... 672
MUDDY CREEK TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 600; change of boundaries, 600; physical characteristics, 600; coal and coal mines, 600; pioneers, 600; schools and teachers, 601; manufacturing industries, 602; population, 602; justices of the peace, 602; biographical sketches.....1203
Muder, John E..... 885
Muller, Detmar Basse.....398, 401
Muller, Detmar Basse, petition of..... 194
Muntz, John G..... 776
Muntz, John George..... 776
Muntz, John N..... 777
Murder trials..... 140
Murphy, Francis..... 974
Murrin, Hugh, Sr.....218, 660, 1302
Murrin, Hugh..... ...1303
Murrin, John.....1303
Murrin, John Z.....1304
Murrin, William.....1304
Murrinsville..... 644
Murtland, John..... 982

PAGE.
Murtland, John C. 982
Muster day festivities. 226
Myers, Charles. 1264
Myers, Conrad. 1195
Myers, Daniel. 1265
Myers, David. 1265
Myers, Henry J. 967
Myers, Jacob. 966
Myers, John, Sr. 1264
Myers, John. 1264
Myers, John G. 966
Myers, John S. 1265
Myers, Samuel. 1195
Myers, Solomon. 1265
Myers, William. 1264
Myoma. 445

N

Nast, Philip. 775
National Building, Loan and Protective Association, Millerstown. 518
National Guard. 229
National Road convention. 196
Natural gas. 295
Neal, John. 1204
Neff, Egid. 1030
Neff, Francis M. 1082
Neff, Ignatz. 1029
Neff, John Vitus. 1082
Negley, Felix H. 917
Negley, Hon. John, sketch of. 686
Negley, Hon. John, portrait of. 33
Negley, Hon. John Henry. 142, 155, 687
Negley, William C. 804
Nesbit, William. 840
Nesbit, William R. 840
New county, erection of, attempted. 92
New School Presbyterians. 443
Newell, Adam. 937
Newell, David. 938
NEWSPAPERS.—Butler, 172; Millerstown, 181; Petrolia and vicinity, 182; Prospect, 183; Zelienople, 183; Centreville and Saxonburg. 184
Neyman, A. M., M. D. 167, 723
Neyman, Abraham M. 723
Neyman, John. 1017
Neyman, John H. 1018
Neyman, John L. 1017
Neyman, Markle J. 1018
Neyman, William. 500, 1017
Niblock, Rev. Isaiah, D. D. 683
Nicklas, Daniel P. 1153
Nicklas, George H. 1153
Nicklas, Peter. 1153
Nicklas, W. A. 1121
Niggel, Joseph. 757
Niggel, Thaneus. 757
Nolf, Conrad. 869
Nolf, William. 869
Non-Partisan Temperance Union. 216
Normal School at Centreville. 191, 628
North Butler Agricultural Club. 204
North Oakland. 560
North Side Cemetery Association. 381
North Union Reformed Presbyterian Church, Forward. 432

PAGE.
North Washington. 656
North Washington Institute. 657
Northwestern Independent (Butler). 179
Notable contempt case. 136

O

O'Brien, William H. 767
O'Donnell, Connell. 950
O'Donnell, Dennis. 950
O'Donnell, John. 951
O'Donnell, Mrs. Mary. 66
O'Hara, Michael. 220
OAKLAND TOWNSHIP. — Organization, 556; statistics, 556; pioneers, 556; schools and teachers, 557; churches and cemeteries, 558; justices of the peace, 560; villages, 560; secret societies, 561; biographical sketches. 945
Oesterling, John. 844
Oesterling, Leonard. 844
Oesterling, Peter. 845
Offices of president and associate judges made elective. 142
Ogle. 440
Oil Exchange, Petrolia. 549
Oil field, Butler [See Butler oil field].
Oil operators (ancient). 270
Oil, prices of. 290, 294
Oilbronn. 599
Oilman's Journal (Parker and Butler). 180
Old Covenanter Church. 608
Oller, Rev. William E. 802
One Hundredth Regiment Round Heads 239
One Hundred and Second Regiment. 242
One Hundred and Third Regiment. 243
One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Reg't. 246
One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Reg't. 249
One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Regiment —Fourteenth Cavalry. 251
One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Regiment 252
Oneida. 561
Orchard trees. 22
Organization of board of commissioners 93
Organization of the county. 74
Organization, county and township. 74
Organization of townships. 85
Oriental mills. 366
Orphan's Friend (Butler). 181
Orr, Andrew. 220
Oswald, Charles. 1031
Oswald, Philip. 1031
Owens, Frederick. 890

P

Paliwathorika (Allegheny river). 19
Palmer, Dr. Orrin D. 165
Pape, Charles F. T. 749
Pape, D. T. 748
Pape, Gerard P. 749
Pape, Theodore D. 749
Park, Harry M. 927
Park, Thomas, Sr. 926
Park, Thomas. 926
Park, William. 926
Parker, George. 1323
Parker, John. 1323

PAGE.

PARKER TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 665; early settlers, 665; population and statistics, 666; justices of the peace, 666; schools, 666; manufacturing industries, 666; Martinsburg, 667; churches, 668; secret societies, 669; other villages, 669; biographical sketches.....1281
Parkin, Joseph..... 799
Parkin, Joseph W..... 799
Partridge, William K.....1301
Patrons of Husbandry..... 207
Patterson, Eli.....1050
Patterson, Ozias M.....1301
Patterson, Robert (Cranberry township). 910
Patterson, Robert (Clay township).....1050
Patterson, William.....1050
Patterson, William R..... 910
Patton, David.....1039
Patton, John..... 45
Patton, Robert.....1039
Pearson, Benjamin, M. D.....1222
Peffer, Frederick.....1198
Peffer, John Gottlieb.....1198
Peffer John R.....1198
Peffer, Joseph.....1198
Penn, William, and Pennsylvania..... 36
Penn's purchase from the Indians..... 36
PENN TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 452; organization, 452; physical characteristics, 452; coal deposits, 453; oil production, 453; natural curiosities, 453; pioneers, 453; population and statistics, 454; schools and justices, 455; churches and cemeteries, 455; villages, 457; biographical sketches..... 831
People's Building and Loan Association 364
People's Gas Co..... 375
People's Reformed Ticket, 1857, 1858.... 124
Perry, James.....1156
Peters, Henry.....1283
Peters, M. J.....1158
Peterson, Peter..... 219
Petersville..... 395
Petition of Barron and McKee..... 65
PETROLIA BOROUGH.—Founding of the town, 542; oil discovered, 542; rapid growth, 542; early business interests, 542; the notorious Ben Hogan, 543; population and statistics, 543; post-office, 544; schools, 544; destructive fires, etc.,544; fire companies and water supply, 545; the great flood, 546; churches, 547; borough councils and justices of the peace, 548; banks and business companies, 549; secret societies, 550; biographical sketches..... 945
Petrolia Creamery, Petrolia..... 550
Petrolia Record.....182, 543
Petrolia Refining Co., Petrolia..... 549
Pfabe, Charles..... 902
Pfabe, Frederick..... 893
Pfeiffer, Charles..... 894
Philips, Elijah T..... 913
Philips, John..... 913
Philips, Orin M..... 769
Philips, Robert..... 913
Phillips City..... 459

PAGE.

Phillips, Hon. Thomas W., sketch of... 816
Phillips, Hon. Thomas W., portrait of.. 289
Phillips, Victor K..... 818
Phipps, Maj. Robert J..... 821
Phipps, Simeon W..... 922
Physical features of the county..... 17
Physicians, brief personal sketches of.. 163
Physicians, old-time and modern..... 162
Physicians, registered..... 169
Pierce, John..... 220
Pillow, Capt. Henry..... 812
Pioneer agriculture, agriculturists and farm implements..... 202
Pioneer arrivals..... 44
Pioneer farming and milling..... 73
Pioneer militia organizations..... 226
Pioneer newspapers of Western Pennsylvania..... 172
Pioneer reminiscences..... 65
Pioneer schools, school teachers and school-houses..... 185
Pioneer steamboat "William D. Duncan" 20
Pioneers, the..... 42
Pioneers prior to 1796..... 44
Pisor, Jacob and John..... 46
Pisor, O. P., M. D.....1300
Pittsburg and Erie line of mail stages.. 195
Plank roads..... 196
Plummer..... 511
Political affairs..... 115
Political parties in 1828..... 119
Political status of county..... 115
Pollock, Alexander.....1080
Pollock, John R.....1080
Pontius, Gabriel..... 951
Pontius, John..... 953
Pontius, John Henry..... 953
Pontius, Nicholas.....1005
Pontius, Solomon 952
Population, statistics of..... 64
Porter, Alexander.....1310
Porter, James.....1311
Porter, John.....1312
Porter, Joseph.....1312
Porter, Joseph T.....1312
Porter, Levi.....1311
Porterfield, Samuel..... 218
PORTERSVILLE BOROUGH.—Laying out of the town, 603; change of name, 603; postmasters, 603; business enterprises, 603; population and statistics, 604; borough officials, 604; justices of the peace, 606; churches, 607; secret societies, 608; biographical sketches.....1203
Post, Frederick, visit of 28
Post, John, Sr.....1080
Post, John.....1080
Post routes..... 195
Potts, James..... 156
Potts, John..... 321
Powell, Joseph, Sr.....1199
Powell, Joseph.....1199
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.—[See also United, and other, Presbyterian Churches]—Adams township (Crestview), 444; Allegheny township, 672; Brady township (Cumberland), 617; Buffalo township, 484; Butler, 328;

PAGE.

Centre township (Unionville), 584; Centreville, 632—(Covenanter or Reformed), 632; Cherry township (Pleasant Valley), 649—(New Hope), 650; Clay township (Muddy Creek), 571; Clinton township (Westminster), 478; Concord township (Concord), 564; Connoquenessing township (Mt. Nebo), 392; Cranberry township, 436; Evans City, 425; Fairview, 537; Fairview township (Bear Creek), 531; Forward township (Reformed), 432; Harrisville, 639; Jefferson township (Jefferson Summit), 463—(Jefferson Centre), 464; Karns City, 555; Middlesex township, 448; Oakland township (North Butler), 559; Parker township (Martinsburg), 668; Petrolia, 547; Portersville, 607—(Old Covenanter), 608; Prospect, 594—(Cumberland Church), 594; Venango township (Associate), 662; Washington township, 654—(New Salem), 655—(North Washington), 656; West Sunbury, 577; Zelienople..... 407
Present bar, members of..... 161
President Judges..... 129
Presidential electors, vote cast for in November, 1892..... 126
Producers' Bank of Butler County..... 361
Producers' Free Press, Petrolia.....182, 543
Producers' and Refiners' Pipe Line Co.. 292
Press, The..... 172
Prices of goods, &c., 1804 to 1830..... 69
Prospect Academy..... 592
PROSPECT BOROUGH.—Location, 590; survey and sale of lots, 590; early merchants and tavern keepers, 590; past and present business interests, 591; incorporation and officials, 591; population and assessed valuation, 592; secret societies, 592; public and private schools, 592; churches, 593; biographical sketches.....1203
Prospect creamery..... 591
Prospect Leader..... 183
Prospect Record..... 183
Prospect Savings Bank..... 591
Protestant Episcopal Church, Butler.... 341
Protestant Episcopal, St. Peter's Mission, Petrolia..... 548
Prothonotaries..... 130
Proving a claim..... 65
Prugh, Rev. Peter C., D. D..... 800
Pryor, James.....1064
Pryor, John.....1064
Public buildings..... 110
Public building agitation, 1852..... 110
Public lands and surveys..... 36
Public officials..... 127
Public prison..... 93
Public roads, transactions of commissioners in matter of..... 193
Purucker, Frederick William..... 981
Purviance, Col. John.....150, 221
Purviance, Gen. John N.....154, 233
Purviance, Hon. Samuel A..... 151
Purvis, Joseph L..... 729
Purvis, Levi O..... 729

PAGE.

Purvis, Samuel D..... 729
Purvis, Samuel G., sketch of..... 728
Purvis, Samuel G., portrait of..... 729
Purvis, S. G., & Company..... 368
Purvis, William..... 728

R

Raabe, Christian J..... 892
Rader, Oswald A..... 1134
Rader, Peter.....1193
Rader, William M.....1134
Railroads..... 197
Railroads, Butler..... 371
Railroad Company, Northwestern..... 197
Railroad accident at Sandy Creek..... 200
Railroad bonds subscribed..... 105
Railroad meeting, first..... 197
Railroad survey, first..... 197
Ralston, Everett L..... 719
Ralston, John, Sr.....1207
Ralston, John, Jr.....1207
Ralston, John.....1208
Ralston, John W.....1207
Ralston, Samuel.....1207
Ralston, Samuel E., M. D.....1090
Ralston, William M..... 869
Ralston roller mill, Prospect..... 591
Ramsdale..... 400
Ramsey, Alexander, Sr.....1116
Ramsey, Alexander.....1116
Ramsey, Alexander C.....1117
Ramsey, Anthony.....1117
Ramsey, Baxter R.....1117
Ramsey, James.....1117
Ramsey, James Crayton..... 786
Ramsey, James C..... 786
Ramsey, William S.....1116
Randolph, Charles J..... 870
Randolph, John J..... 870
Rankin, Benjamin S..... 995
Rankin, Daniel L..... 996
Rankin, David..... 995
Rankin, David C..... 995
Rankin, James, sketch of..... 916
Rankin, James, portrait of..... 921
Rankin, John..... 217
Rankin, William..... 996
Ranson, John..... 218
Rapp, George.....398, 409
Rasely, Matthias.....1193
Rattigan..... 511
Rattigan, Peter A..... 972
Ray Family..... 499
Ray, George, Sr.....1309
Ray, George.....1309
Ray, John..... 989
Ray, John C..... 990
Ray, Matthew S..... 990
"Recollections of the West" (Brackenridge)..... 136
Record, The Petrolia.....182, 543
Red Jacket, the Seneca chief..... 270
Reed, Alfred G..... 696
Reed, Charles E.....1088
Reed, George.....1218
Reed, Maj. George W., 228, sketch of.... 695
Reed, Maj. George W., portrait of..... 97

PAGE.
Reed, John, Sr. 1217
Reed, John (Zelienople) 1087
Reed, John (Slippery Rock township) ... 1218
Reed, John B. 764
Reed, John M. 765
Reed, Nelson P. 696
Reed, Col. Robert 634
Reed, Wilson E. 823
Reep, Eli 994
Reep, Isaac, Sr. 993
Reep, Isaac 994
REFORMED CHURCHES. — Butler (St. Paul's and Bethany), 349; Butler township (Zion) 386—(St. John's Congregation of Zion), 387; Fairview, 537; Fairview township, 532; Harmony (Grace), 415; Lancaster township (Middle Lancaster), 598; Millerstown (German), 525; Prospect (German Reformed and Lutheran) 593
Register City 673
Registers and Recorders 131
Registered physicians 169
Reiber, Aaron E. 754
Reiber, Alfred M. 755
Reiber, Ferdinand 754
Reiber, Frederick T. 756
Reiber, George, Sr. 755
Reiber, George, sketch of 754
Reiber, George, portrait of 385
Reiber, George J. 755
Reiber, Jacob 939
Reiber, Jacob F. 755
Reiber, Martin, sketch of 753
Reiber, Martin, portrait of 209
Reiber, Martin J. 753
Reiber grist mill 366
Reichle, John Barnet 1182
Reihing, William Henry 781
Reilly, Charles 850
Reinhold, Gottfried 881
Remedial legislation 41
Reminiscences, pioneer 65
Renfrew 457
Renfrew, David A. 918
Renfrew, Samuel 918
Renno, Frederick M. 793
Renno, George J. 793
Renno, John 840
Renick, George W 1060
Repository, The (Butler) 174
Representatives from Butler county 128
Representatives in Congress from Butler county 127
Republican victory 123
Re-subdivision of 1854 90
Review, The, Millerstown 182, 515
Revolutionary soldiers, Butler county ... 217
Richardson, John 1187
Richardson, Dr. N. M. 168
Richardson, William, Sr. 1188
Richardson, William 1188
Richey, A. B. 759
Richey, John A. 758
Richey, William 758
Riddle, James 1253
Riddle, Samuel, Sr. 1253
Riddle, Samuel 1253
Riddle, W. H. H. 710
Rider, George 1079
Rider, Jacob 1078
Rider, Orestes C. 1079
Rider, Samuel B. 1079
Rider, Ulysses S. 1079
Riesenman, John Martin 784
Rifley, John, Sr. 940
Rifley, John 940
Rifley, Nicholas 940
Right of petition 71
Riley, Isaac 1139
Riley, Samuel 1139
Riott, Francis 844
Riott, Nicholas 844
Ripper, John A. 1107
Ripper, Philip 1107
Ritter, William H. 764
Ritts, J. V. 745
Ritzert, Casper 953
Ritzert, Conrad 953
Ritzert, John 954
Ritzert, Joseph G. 955
ROADS.—From Isaac Voris' cabin to Sam. Findley's, 193; from Isaac Voris' house to Robert Galbreath's, 193; from east line of Butler county to seat of justice, 193; Butler to Freeport, &c., 193; Butler to Zelienople, 194; Butler to Erie, 194; Butler and Pittsburg Turnpike Road Company, 194; Pittsburg and Mercer road, 194; Butler and Mercer Turnpike Road Company, 194; Butler and Kittanning turnpike road, and company, 195; plank roads 196
Robb, William 1020
Robb, William J. 1020
Roberts, David W. 920
Roberts, Hon. Samuel 139, 147
Robinson, Eli D. 804
Robinson, Thomas, Sr. 912
Robinson, Thomas, sketches of 157, 709
Robinson, Thomas, portrait of 145
Rodgers, James 958
Rodgers, John 958
Roebling, Charles F. and John A. 467
Roebling's Wire Factory, Saxonburg ... 469
Roessing, Barnhardt E. 789
Roessing, Conrad 788
Roettig, Charles 883
Rohner, John 1101
Roll, John Louis 1174
Roll, John P. 1175
Rough Run Mnfg. Co., Winfield 489
Rowan, James 1170
Rowan, John 1171
Royle, Henry 1298
Royle, William 1298
Rudolph, Jacob 218
Russell, Alexander 811
Russell, David 220
Russell, William 811

S

Sachs, John 890
St. Fidelis' College 501
St. Joe 511

PAGE.

St. Joe Station..... 561
St. Mary's Cemetery, Summit..... 504
St. Mary's Monastery..... 501
St. Patrick's Cemetery, Donegal..... 510
St. Paul's Orphan Home..... 352
Sakonk, or Saconk..... 24
Salt wells..... 20
Sample, Dr..... 167
Sand Pump, The Millerstown.....181, 515
Sanderson, Henry L.....1049
Sanderson, Philip.....1049
Sandy Point..... 673
Sanitary condition of the county..... 23
Sarver, Benjamin..... 482
Sarver's Station..... 486
Sarversville..... 485
Sarversville Farmers' Club..... 486
SAXONBURG BOROUGH.—Founding of the village, 466; the Saxon colony, 466; Charles F. and John A. Roebling, 467; first settlers, 468; schools, 469; postmasters, 469; population, 469; manufacturers and merchants, 469; Roebling's wire factory, 469; hotels, 470; borough officials, 470; justices of the peace, 472; churches and cemeteries, 473; societies, 474; biographical sketches..... 831
Saxonburg Herald..... 184
Say, George M.....1329
Say, John.....1328
Schaffner, George..... 791
Schaffner, George Jacob..... 836
Schaffner, Samuel..... 836
Schaul, Philip..... 775
Scheidemantle, George, Sr.....1201
Scheidemantle, George.....1201
Scheidemantle, John.....1200
Scheidemantle, William.....1201
Schenck, Adam..... 790
Schenck, George..... 791
Schenck, Peter, Sr..... 790
Schenck, Peter..... 790
Schmidt, Dr. F..... 166
Schneideman, Hyman..... 770
Schneideman, Mark..... 769
Schnur, Peter..... 847
Scholar, Eli.....47, 595
SCHOOLS.—Adams township, 442; Allegheny township, 672; Brady township, 616; Buffalo township, 484; Butler, 357; Centre township, 583; Centreville, 627; Cherry township, 649; Clay township, 370; Clearfield township, 496; Clinton township, 478; Concord township, 554; Connoquenessing township, 392; Cranberry township, 436; Donegal township, 507; Evans City, 421; Fairview, 536; Fairview township, 532; Forward township, 431; Franklin township, 588; Harmony, 415; Harrisville, 637; Jackson township, 400; Jefferson township, 462; Karns City, 553; Lancaster township, 596, Marion township, 644; Mercer township, 535; Middlesex township, 448; Millerstown, 523; Muddy Creek township, 601; Oakland township, 557; Parker township, 666; Penn township, 455; Petrolia, 544; Prospect, 592; Saxonburg, 469; Slippery Rock township, 622; Summit township, 501; Venango township, 663; Washington township, 654; West Sunbury, 574; Winfield township, 491; Worth township, 612; Zelienople..... 404
Schools, academies and colleges, secular and denominational..... 191
Schools and school finances, condition of, 1893..... 190
Schools and school laws..... 185
Schools, school teachers and schoolhouses, pioneer..... 185
Schools on the increase..... 187
School books, free..... 188
School buildings in the county, 1854..... 187
School laws, early..... 186
School law of 1790, first observance of.. 186
School reminiscences..... 191
School superintendents..... 188
School superintendents' reports..... 187
School tax levy, first..... 186
School for poor children, Buffalo Tp.... 186
Schultz, Adam..... 981
Scott, Albert T..... 720
Scott, Chambers.....1011
Scott, Francis M.....1197
Scott, John..... 1197
Scott, John M., M. D..... 856
Seaman, Joseph Sidney.....1095
Seaton, Alexander..... 1306
Seaton, Amos.....1308
Seaton, Harmon.....1297
Seaton, Robert.....1306
Seaton, Robert F.....1307
Seaton, Samuel M.....1307
Seaton, William.....1308
Seaton, William A.....1307
Seats of justice in Armstrong, Butler and Mercer counties..... 85
Second Regiment of Infantry..... 221
Sefton, Edward, Sr..... 895
Sefton, Edward..... 895
Sefton, Henry..... 895
Seibert, James..... 969
Seibert, Reuben..... 969
Sellers, James..... 777
Semiconan Agricultural Society..... 205
Semi-Monthly, The (Butler)..... 181
Semple, Steel..... 137
Senatorial apportionment of 1874..... 125
Seneca Indians..... 24
Seneca Oil..... 270
Sentinel, The (Butler)..... 173
Separate judicial district, Butler county becomes a..... 144
Settlement of the county, first..... 42
Seventy-eighth Regiment..... 236
Shakely, Alva.....1082
Shakely, John S.....1082
Shaler, Hon. Charles.....140, 147
Shannopin Town..... 24
Shannon, David, Sr.....1151
Shannon, David.....1183
Shannon, John F.....1151
Shannon, John L., sketch of.....1183
Shannon, John L., portrait of.....1185

PAGE.

Shannon, Leonard....1183
Shannon, Matthew W....1151
Shanor, Alfred F....1258
Shanor, Daniel, Sr....1257
Shanor, Daniel....1258
Shanor, Henry, Sr....1256
Shanor, Henry, Jr....1256
Shanor, Henry....1258
Shanor, John C....1189
Shanor, Jonathan J....1257
Shanor, Samuel....1257
Sheriffs.... 130
Sherman, Joseph B., sketch of.... 794
Sherman, Joseph B., portrait of.... 793
Sherrard, Rev. Robert M.... 1014
Sherwin, P. D....1008
Shields, James.... 220
Shiever, Lewis....1202
Shira, David....1293
Shira, Fergus M....1294
Shira, John....1293
Shira, Peter....1294
Shira, Robert O....1005
Shira, Samuel....1294
Shira, William M....1293
Showalter, John.... 976
Showalter, John J.... 977
Showalter, Hon. Joseph B., sketch of... 976
Showalter, Hon. Joseph B., portrait of.. 513
Showalter, Levi.... 976
Showalter, Samuel F.... 977
Shufflin, Thomas J.... 795
Signal, The (Centreville)....184, 626
Simpson, Alexander H 971
Simpson, James.... 902
Six Points.... 673
Sixth Artillery.... 253
Slater, Nathan.... 811
Slater, Nathan M.... 812
Slator, Henry, Sr.... 949
Slator, Henry.... 950
Slator, Jacob.... 950
Slator, John....217, 948
Slator, John W.... 949
Slator, Samuel.... 949
Slaves in the county.... 68
SLIPPERY ROCK TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 619; change of boundaries, 619; physical characteristics, 620; coal banks, 620; salt works, 620; natural gas discovered, 620; population, 620; pioneers, 620; early industries, 621; schools, 622; justices of the peace, 622; churches, 622; villages, 623; biographical sketches....1203
Slippery Rock State Normal school..191, 628
Sloan, James....1155
Sloan, James R.... 1156
Sloan, William A....1156
Smalley, Richard.... 881
Smith Family (Winfield township)...487, 488
Smith, Adam....1072
Smith, George W.... 153
Smith, John....1180
Smith, John H....1181
Smith, Joseph, the Mormon.... 403
Smith, Thomas....1072
Smith, Washington Perry....1072

PAGE.

Snyder, Abraham.... 44
Snyder, Conrad, Sr....1249
Snyder, Conrad, Jr....1249
Snyder, Conrad....1249
Snyder, Rev. Henry E.... 803
Snyder, John, Sr....1231
Snyder, John....1231
Snyder, Joseph.... 220
Snyder, Joseph C....1250
Snyder, Philip.... 930
Snyder, William.... 931
Snyder, Zephaniah....1250
"Soap Mines".... 21
Soldiers' Monuments.... 266
Spear, Dr. Andrew.... 164
Spear, Dr. Matthew W.... 165
Spear, William....220, 1183
Spohn, John.... 846
Springdale, or the First ward, Butler... 327
Springdale water supply.... 373
Springfield, Oakland township.... 560
Sproul, Edwin G....1289
Sproul, Hugh....1288
Sproul, James....1288
Sproul, John....1288
Stage lines.... 195
Stahl, George....1091
Stamm, Daniel....1133
Stamm, Jacob, Sr....1133
Stamm, Jacob....1133
Stamm, J. George, sketch of.... 791
Stamm, J. George, portrait of.... 369
Stamm, Solomon....1133
Stamm, William H....1134
Standard Plate Glass Works.... 369
Star Iron Works.... 371
Star Spangled Banner (Butler).... 178
Starks, Rev. R. B.... 1299
Starr, Albert H.... 913
Starr, Jeremiah W.... 912
State officials from Butler county.... 128
State Senators from Butler county.... 128
Statistics of population.... 64
Stauffer, Henry.... 1199
Stauffer, Ira, sketch of....1199
Stauffer, Ira, portrait of....1193
Stauffer, Jacob....1199
Steelsmith, Amos.... 826
Stehle, John F. T.... 748
Stehle, Thomas, Sr.... 748
Stein, Louis.... 747
Stein, Louis B.... 748
Stein, William A.... 747
Sterrett, Samuel O., M. D., sketch of...1150
Sterrett, Samuel O., M. D., portrait of..1153
Sterrett, William, M. D....1150
Stevenson, Nathaniel.... 219
Stewart, Alexander....1190
Stewart, Robert.... 603
Stewart, Samuel.... 1189
Stewart, Capt. William.... 426
Stewart, William....1189
Stinetorf, Henry.... 46
Stiver, F. B....1094
Stiver, William....1094
Stock, Christopher, Sr.... 766
Stock, Christopher.... 767
Stokey, Charles....1090

PAGE.
Stokey, Henry, sketch of....1089
Stokey, Henry, portrait of....1089
Stokey, Henry W....1089
"Stone House" tavern.... 618
Storey, Alexander Baird.... 994
Storey, Capt Robert....1326
Storey, Townsend R.... 995
Storey, William....1326
Strance, George....1008
Streams.... 19
"Struck lands".... 39
Studebaker, David....44, 609
Studebaker, Joseph.... 45
Subscription Schools.... 185
Sullivan, Aaron.... 676
Sullivan, Charles....219, 676
Sullivan, Hon. Charles Craven 154, 678
Sullivan, James.... 678
Sullivan, John.... 677
Sullivan, Col. John McPherrin, sketches of....156, 678
Sullivan, Col. John McPherrin, portrait. 681
Sullivan, Moses.... 676
Sullivan, Thomas.... 677
Sullivan, William.... 678
SUMMIT TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 499; early settlement, 499; Neyman's mill, 500; statistics, 500; justices of the peace, 501; schools and colleges, 501; St. Mary's monastery, 501; church history, 502; village growth, 504; biographical sketches.... 831
Surveyors.... 132
Surveys.... 38
Sutton, Daniel H.... 784
Sutton, James....1110
Sutton, James J....1001
Sutton, Jeremiah....1110
Sutton, John....1000
Sutton, John H.... 820
Sutton, John R 917
Sutton, Platt....1110
Swain, G. D., sketch of....1092
Swain, G. D., portrait of.... 409
Swain, Samuel....1092
Swartz, Frederick.... 940
Swartzlander, Charles....1003

T

Tadder, George P.... 982
TANNERIES.—367, 384, 400, 403, 413, 419, 451, 591, 611, 621, 637, 643.... 661
Taverns, early.... 67
Taverns, original petition to regulate.. 211
Tax levies, 1800 to 1803.. 85
Tax levy for school purposes, 1835.... 186
Tax on bachelors.... 94
TAXABLES.—Buffalo township, 1803, 47; Butler, 1828, 311; Connoquenessing township, 1803, 50; Middlesex township, 1803, 54; Slippery Rock township. 59
Taxables of 1803.... 47
Taylor, R. B....796
Tebay, Thomas....1055
Tebay, William....1055
Telephone, The (Karns City).... 183
Temperance agitation.... 211
PAGE.
Temperance associations.... 212
Temperance cause.... 211
Temperance Societies, first.... 211
Temperance work.... 214
Thieleman, Christian H....1154
Thieleman, William....1153
Thirteenth Regiment, Company H.... 233
Thomas, Owen, sketch of....1329
Thomas, Owen, portrait of.... 665
Thomas, Owen J....1329
Thomas, William Finley....1329
Thompson, Andrew G....1178
Thompson, Anthony....1077
Thompson, Edwin C., M. D.... 1248
Thompson, Ephraim O.... 924
Thompson, Harvey D....1081
Thompson, Howard.... 780
Thompson, Hon. James.... 153
Thompson, James (Cherry township)....1076
Thompson, James (Cranberry township)1178
Thompson, James C 924
Thompson, John, Sr....1247
Thompson, John, (Middlesex township). 924
Thompson, John, (Concord township)...1041
Thompson, John H....1247
Thompson, Col. John M.. ....157, 708
Thompson, Moses.... 1076
Thompson, Oliver D.... 718
Thompson, Capt. Robert.... ... 923
Thompson, Robert C.... 1054
Thompson, Robert W....1248
Thompson, Solomon R....1248
Thompson, William, Sr....47, 923
Thompson, William (Middlesex Tp..... 924
Thompson, William (Greene county)....1080
Thompson, William G.... 156
Thompson, William H....1247
Thompson, William Ross.... 924
Thompson, William S.... 925
Tidings, The (Butler).... 181
Timblin, William.... 155
Times, The Daily and Weekly (Butler).. 181
Titley, James J.... 979
Titley, John W.... 979
Titley, William E.... 979
Topography of the county.... 18
Townships created in 1804.... 86
Township organization of 1804..... 85
Training Day in early times.... 68
Transactions of county commissioners from 1803 to 1894....93-109
Transcript of accounts between Allegheny and Butler counties, 1800-1803. 80
Treasurers.... 131
Treaty of 1768, Fort Stanwix.... 37
Trimble, Robert.... 929
Trimble, Samuel.... 929
Trimble, Thomas.... 929
Troutman.... 568
Trump, The (Prospect).... 183
Turk, William, mysterious disappearance 618
Turner, George B....1065
Turner, James....1065
Turner, John F....1066
Turner, William R....1065
Two Hundred and Twelfth Regiment — Sixth Artillery.... 253
Type, prices paid for in 1829.... 174

U

PAGE.

Union-Herald (Butler).....176, 178
Union meeting at court-house, in 1861... 230
Union Pipe Line Co..... 291
Unionists of 1856..... 122
Unionist party..... 122
Unionville..... 585
Unionville Cemetery Association..... 585
United Christian Church, Evans City... 425
United Evangelical Church, Zelienople. 407
United Pipe Lines Association..... 291
United Pipe Lines Station, Millerstown 518
UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.—Adams township (Union Church), 442—(Mars), 444; Brady township (West Liberty) 617; Butler, 333; Centre township (Holyoke), 583; Centreville, 631; Clearfield township (Carbon Centre), 498; Clinton township, 479—(Oak Grove), 479; Connoquenessing township (White Oak Springs), 393; Evans City, 423; Fairview, 537; Franklin township (Mt. Chestnut), 589; Harrisville (Harmony), 639; Jefferson township (Shiloh), 463; Marion township (West Unity), 645; Middlesex township (Glade Run), 449; Penn township (Brownsdale), 455; Portersville, 607; Prospect, 593; Slippery Rock township (Bethel), 622; Venango township (East Unity), 662; Washington township (Mt. Varnum), 654; West Sunbury, 575; Worth township..... 611
United Society of Germans..... 409
United States Pipe Line Co..... 291
United States Senators from Butler county..... 127

V

Valencia..... 445
Vanderlin, John.....220, 1317
Vanderlin, Joseph C..... 712
Vanderlin, Stephen..... 1318
Vandivort, Freeman..... 1162
Vandivort, John..... 1162
Van Dyke, Henry J..... 922
Varnum, Enoch..... 220
VENANGO TOWNSHIP. — Organization, 659; physical characteristics, 659; coal deposits, 659; streams, 660; population, 660; pioneers, 660; first election, 661; a remonstrance, 661; churches and cemeteries, 662; schools, 663; justices of the peace, 663; villages, 663; biographical sketches.....1281
Vensel, Barney..... 957
Vensel, Charles Finley..... 956
Vensel, John..... 955
Vensel, Joseph..... 958
Vensel, Richard..... 956
Vensel, Washington H..... 957
Vensel, William M..... 957
Veterans of the Revolution..... 217
Veterans of the war of 1812..... 221
Veterans of the Mexican war..... 225
Viewers' account..... 90
Vincent, James, Sr.....1301
Vincent, James.....1302
Vincent, John K.....1302
Vincent, William J.....1302
Voegele, Rev. Henry.....1111
Voegtly, John.....1120
Vogeley, George, Sr..... 736
Vogeley, George, Jr..... 737
Vogeley, Theodore..... 737
Vogeley, William..... 737
Votes of 1892 and 1893..... 126

W

Wagner, Gebhardt..... 783
Wagner, Henry Philip Conrad.....1139
Wagner, Rev. Louis.....1108
Waldron Family.....1126
Waldron, John.....1127
Waldron, William S., sketch of.....1127
Waldron, William S., portrait of..... 449
Walker, Clarence..... 734
Walker, Daniel.....1330
Walker, David..... 734
Walker, David O..... 153
Walker, James, sketch of..... 875
Walker, James, portrait of..... 873
Walker, John (Butler)..... 734
Walker, John (Clinton township)..... 875
Walker, John H..... 921
Walker, Lewis..... 732
Walker, Lewis P..... 735
Walker, Nathaniel..... 733
Walker, Peggy, adventure of..... 66
Walker, Capt. Samuel..... 733
Walker, William G.....1330
Wallace, Samuel..... 46
Wallace, Thomas C., M. D.....1159
Wallace, William H., M. D.....1159
Wallace, William W..... 989
Walter, Craft.....1315
Walter, George..... 789
Walter, Jacob..... 789
Walter, John.....1314
Walter Mill, the..... 366
War of 1812, Butler county in the..... 220
War of the Rebellion, Butler county in.. 229
Warner, Charles, sketch of.....1200
Warner, Charles, portrait of.....1201
Warner, John.....1200
Washington Building and Loan Association, Petrolia..... 549
Washington's journey..... 27
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP.—Origin of name, 652; physical characteristics, 652; coal mines and mining companies, 652; population and statistics, 653; pioneers, 653; first election, 654; justices of the peace, 654; schools, 654; churches, 654; North Washington, 656; educational and insurance corporations, 657; other villages, 658; biographical sketches.....1281
Watson, Alexander..... 866
Watson, Andrew..... 922
Watson, John A..... 866
Watson, Thomas..... 219
Weakley, John F.....1209
Weakley, Robert.....1209

PAGE.
Weakley, Samuel....1208
Webb, James....1056
Webb, John....1056
Webb, William M....1056
Weber, Adam....1140
Weber, John.... 911
Weber, Samuel....1140
Weddings in pioneer days.... 67
Weigand, Edward E.... 796
Weigle, John M.... 788
Weigle, Samuel....1256
Weigle, William....1256
Weir, Alfred D.... 862
Weir, John.... 862
Weiser, Adam, M. D.... 1096
Weller, Alexander C....1281
Welsh, Dr. George.... 168
Welsh, George (Jefferson township).... 872
Welsh, George (Jackson township)....1120
Welsh, Henry C., sketch of.... 905
Welsh, Henry C., portrait of.... 905
Welsh, James.... 905
Welsh, John, Sr.... 873
Welsh, John, Jr.... 873
Welsh, John (Connoquenessing)....217, 904
Welsh, Thomas, Sr.... 872
Welsh, Thomas.... 873
Welsh, William J.... 874
Weser, Norbert T.... 768
Weser, Rudolph.... 768
Wesleyan Methodist Church.... 668
West, Andrew J....1180
West, Fleming....1180
West, Joseph....1180
West Liberty.... 618
WEST SUNBURY BOROUGH.—Laying out of the village, 572; pioneers, 573; incorporation as a borough, 573; early business men, 573; population and statistics, 573; schools, 574; West Sunbury Academy, 574; churches, 575; borough officials, 578; justices of the peace, 580; secret societies, 580; biographical sketches.... 945
Westerman, Edward.... 899
Westerman, Joseph.... 868
Westerman, Samuel.... 868
Westerman, Thomas.... 899
Westermann, Charles J.... 966
Westermann, Henry L.... 965
Westermann, Jacob J.... 966
Westermann, Richard F.... 975
Wetzel, Charles.... 894
Whig flag incident.... 120
White, A. J.... 921
White, Charles F....1274
White, Daniel B.... 921
White, Edward, Sr....1273
White, Edward....1102
White, J. Milton....1273
White, John M....1103
White, Joseph....1273
White, Matthew....1182
White, Rev. William, D. D.... 683
Whitestown.... 394
Whitmire, Francis, Sr....1015
Whitmire, Francis....1015
Whitmire, Jacob....1016
PAGE.
Whitmire, John, Sr....1015
Whitmire, John....1016
Whitmire, Peter....1015
Whitmire, Robert J....1016
Wible, Andrew.... 915
Wible, William S., sketch of.... 916
Wible, William S., portrait of.... 913
Wick.... 623
Wick, Alfred.... 820
Wick, Andrew, Sr....1023
Wick, Daniel....1233
Wick, Henry E....1251
Wick, Jeremiah....1023
Wick, John....1251
Wick, Lewis C.... 796
Wick, Robert K....1233
Wick, William....1023
Wick, William M....1024
Wiefel, George.... 860
Wigton family, murder of the.... 25
Wiles, Simon Monroe.... 962
Wilhelm, Rev. Frederick.... 884
Wilhelm, Gottlieb T.... 884
Wilhelm, Rev. Jacob.... 883
Wilkins, Hon. William....139, 147
Williams, Alexander.... 783
Williams, Andrew G.... 715
Williams, John....1321
Williams, Levi....1321
Williams, Samuel C....1321
Wilson, Adam C....1318
Wilson, Andrew H....1114
Wilson, George (Oakland township)....1028
Wilson, George (Jackson township)....1115
Wilson, George W....1115
Wilson, H. M., M. D....1107
Wilson, James.... 992
Wilson, James Armstrong.... 993
Wilson, John....1318
Wilson, John H....1114
Wilson, John Milton....1115
Wilson, Jonathan....1115
Wilson, Joseph.... 1318
Wilson, Joseph C., M. D....1107
Wilson-Leasure-Sherber land case.... 491
Wilson, Lott....1277
Wilson, Robert....1028
Wilson, Robert C....1319
Wilson, Thomas....1114
Wilson, William, Sr.... 991
Wilson, William.... 992
Wimer, Christopher....1240
Wimer, George....1241
Wimer, Samuel....1241
Winfield Furnace, Winfield....489, 492
WINFIELD TOWNSHIP. — Organization and statistics, 487; justices of the peace, 487; first settlers, 487; early and modern industries, 488; churches and church history, 489; schools and teachers, 491; village growth, 491; insurance company, 493; biograpical sketches... 831
Wing, Horace Z.... 825
Winter, Albert....1088
Wise, Alfred M....1094
Wise, Henry M....1093
Wise, Jacob F....1093
Wisener, John G.... 798

PAGE.

Wisener, Philip 799
Witherspoon Institute 356
Witte, Fred W 857
Witte, William 856
Wolf scalps, hunts, &c 71
Wolford, George 1065
Wolford, Henry 1285
Wolford, Jacob 1286
Woman's Christian Temperance Alliance 215
Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Harrisville 212
Women's Christian Temperance Union, Zelienople 408
Woodbine 561
Wood rangers 71
Wool Growers' Association 206
Workingmen's Building and Loan Association 365
Worth Mutual Fire Insurance Co. 613
WORTH TOWNSHIP.—Organization, 609; mineral wealth, 609; coal and gas, 609; census and school statistics, 609; taxable wealth, 609; justices of the peace, 609; pioneers, 609; early industries, 611; churches, 611; schools and teachers, 612; Mechanicsburg, 613; private corporations, 613; biographical sketches 1203
Worth Township Gas Co. 613
Wright, Isaac N 1181
Wright, William 1181

Y

Yaehnig, Charles F 882
Yaehnig, Charles F., Jr. 882
Young, Adam 1191
Young, Amos 1060
Young, Edwin 1192
Young, Elmer E 721
Young, Jacob S. 763
Young, John (Butler township) 840
Young, John (Clay township) 1056

PAGE.

Young, Rev. Loyal, D. D. 681
Young, Robert H. 1056
Young, Samuel 1086
Young, Simon P 843
Y. M. C. A. of Butler 351
Young Women's Christian Temperance Union 213
Younkins, Daniel 826
Younkins, John 826

Z

ZELIENOPLE BOROUGH.—Origin of name, 401; Dr. Detmar Basse, 401; "The Bassenheim," 401; a beautiful site, 401; George Rapp, the Bavarian, 401; public square controversy, 402; pioneers; 402; early taverns, 402; later growth, 403; Joseph Smith, the Mormon, 403; newspapers, 403; insurance company, 403; bank, 403; leading merchants, 404; population and statistics, 404; postmasters and justices, 404; schools, 404; manual labor school, 404; Zelienople select school, 404; Connoquenessing Academy, 405; Orphans' Home, 405; burgesses and councilmen, 405; churches, 406; societies, 408; biographical sketches 1083
Zelienople Recorder 183
Zeno 434
Ziegler, Abraham 1091
Ziegler, George W 699
Ziegler, Henry D 1196
Ziegler, Hon. Jacob, sketches of 176, 697
Ziegler, Hon. Jacob, portrait of 177
Ziegler, Jacob M 914
Ziegler, Joseph 1092
Ziegler, Samuel 914
Ziegler, Samuel A 914
Ziegler, W. G 806
Ziegler's Democratic Herald (Butler) 176
Zimmerman, George M., M. D 779
Zimmerman, John Michael 779

SURNAME INDEX

HISTORY OF BUTLER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Vol. I only

AN INDEX OF SURNAMES (FAMILY NAMES)
CONTAINED IN THE HISTORY OF BUTLER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
AS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN 1895
BY R. C. BROWN & CO.

Preface

The 1895 History was the second history of Butler County to be published. An earlier history was published in 1883 and later ones in 1909, 1927, and 1950. The 1895 History shows, under "Contents", the subjects covered in each chapter. It also has an index in the back which lists the names of persons who were the subjects of biographies and the events and places in the book. There are thousands of other persons named in the book, but a researcher has been required to read very carefully to find a given name. The purpose of this index is to simplify the finding of names and to make this history more interesting and useful.

Explanation

The family names in each chapter were manually copied. Each name was listed only once for the same chapter and first or given names and page numbers were not recorded. The spelling as originally published was carefully followed. The chapter numbers have been converted into arabic numbers from the Roman numerals in the book.

This index covers all surnames in Chapters 1 thru 69, pages 17 to 674, which includes all of the county and township history. It does not cover the biographical sketches in Chapters 70 thru 75, pages 674 thru 1331. It was judged impractical to index this portion of the book at this time. The subjects of the biographies are indexed in the book itself, but other persons named are not indexed.

The Chapter Listing on the following page shows the arabic number, beginning page, and subject of each chapter in the index.

William G. Helsel, Jr.
Butler, Pennsylvania
January 31, 1977

Butler County Historical Society

HISTORY OF BUTLER COUNTY, PA. - PUBLISHED 1895

INDEX OF SURNAMES BY CHAPTERS

Chapter Listing

Chap.	Page	Subject	Chap.	Page	Subject
1	17	Physical Features	36	466	Saxonburg Borough
2	24	Aborigines & Explorers	37	476	Clinton Township
3	36	Public Lands	38	481	Buffalo Township
4	42	Pioneers	39	487	Winfield Township
5	65	Pioneer Reminiscences	40	494	Clearfield Twp.
6	74	County & Twp. Organ.	41	499	Summit Township
7	93	Commissioners	42	505	Donegal Township
8	110	Public Buildings	43	512	Millerstown Boro.
9	115	Political Affairs	44	530	Fairview Twp.
10	134	Bench and Bar	45	535	Fairveiw Boro.
11	162	Medical	46	542	Petrolia Boro.
12	172	Press	47	551	Karns City Boro.
13	185	Schools	48	556	Oakland Township
14	193	Improvements	49	562	Concord Township
15	202	Agriculture	50	568	Clay Township
16	211	Temperance	51	572	West Sunbury Boro.
17	217	Early Military	52	580	Centre Township
18	229	War of Rebellion	53	586	Franklin Township
19	269	Oil	54	590	Prospect Borough
20	295	Gas	55	595	Lancaster Twp.
21	299	Butler Borough	56	600	Muddy Creek Twp.
22	328	Butler Borough	57	603	Portersville Boro.
23	353	Butler Borough	58	609	Worth Township
24	383	Butler Township	59	614	Brady Township
25	387	Connoquenessing Twp.	60	619	Slippery Rock Twp.
26	396	Jackson Township	61	624	Centreville Boro.
27	401	Zelienople Borough	62	634	Mercer Township
28	409	Harmony Borough	63	636	Harrisville Boro.
29	417	Evans City Borough	64	641	Marion Township
30	429	Forward Township	65	647	Cherry Township
31	435	Cranberry Township	66	652	Washington Twp.
32	440	Adams Township	67	659	Venango Township
33	446	Middlesex Township	68	665	Parker Township
34	451	Penn Township	69	670	Allegheny Twp.
35	460	Jefferson Township			

Chapter 18 has been divided into three sections as follows:

Chapter 18 - War of the Rebellion
a. Pages 229-243 to 103rd Regiment
b. Pages 243-252 to 169th Regiment
c. Pages 252-269

A.

AARON
43
ABDILL
18b
ABRAMS
23, 29, 47
ACHRE
15
ACKLES
17
ADAMS
4, 5, 9, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 23, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 38, 43, 44, 45, 46, 49, 50, 51, 57, 60, 64, 66, 67, 68, 69
ADDAVIT
17
ADDERHOLD
19
ADDINGTON
10
ADDISON
10, 21
ADDLEMAN
18a
ADER
35
ADERHOLD
9, 36
ADLEY
61
ADLINGTON
18b
ADRIAN
46
AGGAS
4, 5, 8, 15, 18c, 49, 51, 66
AGNEW
3, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 18c, 19, 21, 23, 63
AHNER
28
AIKEN
16, 18ab, 21, 23, 39, 54, 57
AINSLEY
30
AITKIN
11
AKE
18a
AKER
18b
AKIN
45, 47
AKINS
4
AKLEY
46
ALAND
23
ALBERT
5, 10, 18bc, 19, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57
ALBRIGHT
18b, 21, 22
ALCORN
ALCORN continued
31
ALDINGER
43
ALEXANDER
2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 17, 18ab, 21, 22, 25, 43, 45, 46, 54, 58, 59
ALHOUSE
18c
ALLEN
4, 10, 15, 17, 18ab, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 43, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 59, 63, 66, 67, 69
ALLISON
4, 6, 9, 10, 18b, 22, 27, 48, 50, 51, 52, 65
ALLSWORTH
4, 5, 21, 50
ALLWINE
18bc
ALPHONS
48
ALSPACH
22, 43, 45
ALSTADT
18c
ALSTON
43
ALSWORTH
68
ALTER
49, 66
ALTMAN
18b, 30, 40, 49
ALTMEICA
41
ALTMIRE
66
ALWARD
7, 17, 31
ALWINE
35
AMBERSON
5, 6, 7, 18a, 30
AMES
9
AMEY
46
AMMERY
4
AMOS
10
AMSLER
66
AMSOHLER
39
ANCHOR
19
ANDERSON
2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 46, 51, 52, 53, 58, 66, 67, 69
ANDRE
11, 43, 48, 49
ANDRES
48
ANDREW
4, 44
ANDREWS
31, 46, 49
ANGELL
19, 44
ANGERT
48
ANGLES
18a
ANNOM
17
ANSELM
48
ANSLEY
22, 25
ANTHONY
18c
ANTWERP
19
APPLEGATE
18b
ARLEY
7
ARMAND
6
ARMOR
18b, 27
ARMS
65
ARMSTEAD
19
ARMSTRONG
3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 35, 49, 56, 57, 58, 65
ARNEAL
27
ARNER
66
ARNOLD
45, 68
ART
15
ARTHUR
49
ARTHURS
51
ASCHE
36
ASH
5, 7, 10, 18ac, 23, 29, 30
ASHBACK
19
ASHBAUGH
18a, 23
ATKINSON
12, 18bc, 37, 38
ATWELL
4, 19, 63, 64, 66, 67
AUBERRY
18a
AUGUSTINE
18a
AVEMANN
46
AVERILL
18a
AVERY
10, 49

AVEY
22
AWAKANOMIN
2
AXTELL
11, 43
AYERS
5
AYLWARD
40
AYRES
3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18a, 21, 22, 23, 25, 63

B.

BAAR
18b
BACKUS
46, 49
BACON
52
BADGER
14, 18c, 19, 49, 57, 59
BAEHR
36
BAER
41
BAHT
22
BAIERS
18a
BAILES
24, 25, 30
BAILEY
7, 8, 16, 18c, 19, 22, 23, 43, 45, 46, 56, 57, 64, 65
BAILS
17
BAIRD
6, 9, 22, 46, 66
BAKER
3, 4, 5, 10, 18ac, 21, 22, 23, 25, 31, 33, 43, 46, 48, 51, 53, 61
BALDQUF
20, 48
BALDWIN
6, 7, 10, 45, 55, 64
BALES
17
BALFOUR
9, 19
BALKAM
29
BALL
48
BALMER
18c
BALMSEN
36
BALPH
6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 18ac, 21, 22, 23, 25, 48, 53, 58, 61
BALZIGER
49
BAME
28
BANCROFT
12, 13, 23
BANES
18a
BANKS
18ab, 19, 46
BAPTIE
43
BARBARY
29
BARBER
4, 11, 60, 63
BARCHMAN
6
BARCLAY
5, 16, 18ab, 19, 33
BARD
9, 15, 18c, 23, 46, 60, 61, 65
BARICKMAN
7, 24
BARKER
18b, 38, 39
BARKEY
18c, 29
BARKLEY
22, 42, 54, 55, 56
BARKMAN
18b
BARNES
4, 17, 18bc, 19, 33, 58, 62, 63
BARNET
4
BARNETT
5, 18b
BARNHART
4, 10, 11, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 24, 25, 34, 42, 43, 44, 49
BARR
4, 7, 8, 11, 18bc, 19, 23, 32, 54, 64
BARRACKMAN
18b
BARRETT
22
BARRON
4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 18ac, 21, 50, 51, 58, 65, 67
BARROWS
39
BARRY
10
BARSE
23
BARTHOLD
46, 49
BARTHOLDI
46
BARTLETT
18c, 43, 49
BARTLEY
6, 7, 9, 17, 18ac, 19, 33, 34, 35, 37, 48, 50
BARTO
18c, 29
BARTON
18a, 19
BARTUR
4
BASSE
27, 28
BASSETT
39
BASSINGHEIM
59
BASSLER
22, 27, 28, 52, 54, 55
BASTIAN
15, 18bc, 27, 55
BATEMAN
21, 47, 49
BATES
6, 18a
BAUDER
18abc, 27, 55, 56, 57, 58
BAUER
18b, 19, 21, 35, 36
BAUGHMAN
43
BAUMAN
18ac, 36, 39
BAUMGARTNER
4, 48, 52, 55
BAUNER
18b
BAXTER
18b, 21
BAYARD
17
BAYLES
4
BAYNE
5
BEACH
46
BEACOM
16
BEALE
18b, 29
BEALL
18b
BEALS
7, 18c
BEAM
6, 17, 23, 26, 28, 29, 54, 55
BEAMER
18ab
BEAN
11, 18b, 51, 65
BEAR
18a, 66
BEARD
6
BEATTIE
18c
BEATTY
4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 43, 45, 49, 57, 62, 63, 66
BEAUTON
46
BEAVER
61
BECHMAN
36
BECK
11, 21, 24, 35, 36, 39,

BECK continued
47, 48
BECKER
18c, 39, 41, 48
BECKETT
38
BECKMAN
18ac
BECKWITH
60
BEDILLION
18abc
BEDINGER
39
BEECHER
17
BEESON
46
BEER
61
BEERS
9, 18a, 19, 29, 32
BERRY
19, 37
BEGGS
18a, 19
BEHM
18ac, 29, 30
BEIGHLEY
4, 6, 7, 10, 18bc, 20, 23, 25, 45, 50, 51, 55, 57
BELKE
41
BELL
4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 22, 23, 38, 43, 45, 47, 61, 62, 66, 68
BELLIS
18b, 55, 57
BELTZ
18ac, 27
BELTZHOOVER
9, 26, 27
BEMUS
10, 18c, 45
BEND
61
BENEDICT
10, 46
BENEZETTE
4
BENKER
18b
BENNETT
16, 18c, 19, 23, 46, 58
BENSON
40
BENTEL
9
BENTLE
9, 27, 28
BEPLER
18b
BERCHTOLD
18a
BERG
7, 8, 15, 18ac, 19, 21, 23, 27
BERGBICHLER
BERGBICHLER continued
41
BERGER
61
BERNHARD
22
BERNIGAU
36
BERNINGER
39, 41
BERRINGER
18b, 29, 30, 32
BERRY
9, 23
BESILIT
22
BEST
4, 22, 30
BESTLER
61
BETEKEVER
18c
BETTINGER
36
BEYER
27
BEYRER
27
BEZLER
47
BICE
45
BICKEL
5, 16, 18b, 21
BICKET
18bc
BICKETT
37, 39
BICKWELL
18b
BIDDLE
18b
BIEBER
55
BIEHL
22
BIERS
15
BIGGER
18c
BIGHAM
15, 17, 60, 61, 64
BIGLER
9
BIGLEY
18b
BILLINGSLEY
18b, 23, 65
BILLINGSLY
63
BINGHAM
18b, 23, 60, 61, 63
BINSACK
41
BIPPUS
11, 18ac, 48
BIRCH
5, 18ab, 52
BIRCHARD
11, 45
BIRD
BIRD continued
18a, 55
BISH
4, 43, 48
BISHOP
18c, 21, 27, 29, 34
BITTIGER
6
BLACK
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 29, 38, 42, 43, 45, 46, 49, 50, 51, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69
BLACKMAN
28
BLACKSTOCK
18c
BLACKWELL
4
BLACKWOOD
11
BLAEK
18b
BLAIN
18bc, 52
BLAIR
4, 10, 14, 18c, 19, 32, 47, 50, 57, 67, 69
BLAISDELL
52
BLAKE
18c
BLAKELEY
9, 10, 13, 15, 18ab, 30, 34
BLAKENY
64
BLAKLEY
9, 43
BLAKSLEE
23
BLANCHARD
14
BLANEY
18a, 19, 43, 48
BLASHFORD
7, 21
BLATT
48
BLAYNEY
63
BLEAKNEY
4, 42
BLEICHNER
41
BLINN
31
BLOOM
27, 57
BLOSE
43
BLOUGH
22
BLUROCH
39
BLY
44, 49
BOAL
18c

BOALS
14
BOARDMAN
39
BOCHERT
36
BOEHM
19, 29, 54
BOGGS
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 16, 18ac, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
BOHN
18a
BOLANDER
18b, 29, 31
BOLARD
19, 22
BOLE
18c, 23, 43, 49
BOLES
17, 22
BOLLHURST
29
BOLLINGER
30, 45, 61, 65
BOLLMAN
47
BOLTON
4, 6, 9, 15, 25, 27, 61
BOLTZ
39
BONAFFON
18a
BOND
66
BONIFAZ
48
BONNECAMP
2
BONNELL
22
BONNER
4, 18bc, 23, 58
BOOK
6, 15, 17, 18ab, 43, 49, 51, 53, 57, 58, 65
BOOS
12, 23
BOOTH
48
BOOTZ
63
BOOZEL
18b, 69
BORBRIDGE
22
BORELAND
10
BORLAND
4, 7, 9, 12, 18ab, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25, 32, 52
BORN
43
BORTMAS
48
BORTMASS
4, 5, 7, 18b, 50
BOSSERT
18b
BOSTON
BOSTON continued
10, 15, 17, 56, 57
BOTTCHER
36
BOTTNER
46
BOUCH
18b
BOULSTER
68
BOULT
19
BOUNDY
29
BOUQUET
6
BOVARD
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 18b, 21, 44, 61, 63, 64, 65, 67, 69
BOVIANT
18a
BOWEN
10, 29, 43
BOWERS
4, 5, 7, 10, 17, 19, 21, 46, 53, 54
BOWMAN
10, 27, 28, 31, 54
BOWSER
7, 10, 13, 23, 27, 29, 32, 34, 35, 53, 66
BOYCE
4, 24, 33, 65
BOYD
4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 15, 18 abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 48, 51, 58, 59, 63, 66, 67
BOYER
10, 18a, 25, 27, 28, 55
BOYLE
4, 6, 12, 14, 18b, 21, 30, 31, 34, 42, 43, 58, 59, 66
BOYLES
61
BRACEY
35
BRACKEN
7, 9, 14, 15, 16, 18ab c, 22, 23, 25, 30, 31, 33, 37, 38, 57
BRACKENRIDGE
5, 6, 10, 18c, 19, 21
BRACKNEY
4, 9, 17, 23, 29, 51
BRACY
4
BRADDOCK
6, 17
BRADEN
18ab, 23, 43, 65
BRADFORD
7, 9
BRADLEY
17, 21, 43
BRADNER
19
BRADSHAW
BRADSHAW continued
22
BRADY
2, 4, 6, 15, 19, 40, 41, 42, 43, 48, 59, 62, 63, 64
BRAHAM
9, 60, 62, 63, 65
BRANDAU
18a
BRANDON
4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 17, 18ab, 19, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30, 34, 46, 53, 56, 57, 58, 62
BRANDOW
47
BRANDT
21
BRANER
35
BRANFIELD
43, 66
BRANDSTETTER
48
BRANT
6, 18b, 58
BRATCHI
55, 57
BRATTON
3, 4, 7, 18c, 24, 46, 61
BRAUN
18ac, 22
BRAWLEY
49
BREADEN
7, 8, 9, 15, 18c, 50, 51, 52, 57, 64, 66
BRECHT
29, 43, 54, 55
BRECKENRIDGE
9, 15, 18ab, 23, 43, 52, 61, 64
BRECKINRIDGE
66
BREDIN
1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18a bc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 39, 42, 44, 45
BREEL
18c
BRELL
18b
BREMER
18c
BRENNAN
17, 43, 48, 53
BRENNEMAN
18ab, 43, 57
BRENNER
55
BRESCO
6
BREWER
4, 9, 37
BREWSTER
6, 10, 17, 18a, 20, 27, 51, 52
BRICELAND

BRICELAND continued
21
BRICKER
10, 18b, 38, 39, 46
BRIDGE
43
BRIDGEMAN
17
BRINKER
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18b, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 41, 65
BRINTON
27, 30
BRITTAIN
10, 33, 69
BRITTIN
10
BROCKMAN
23
BRODHEAD
17, 19
BRONSON
20, 64
BROOKMYER
65
BROOKS
4, 11, 18c, 29, 38
BROTHER
65
BROUWERE
43
BROWER
9, 11, 12, 18c
BROWINGTON
17
BROWN
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 40, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 51, 52, 57, 58, 59, 62, 63, 66, 69
BROWNE
18a
BROWNFIELD
42
BROWNLOW
37
BROWNYEAR
45
BRUCE
19, 33
BRUCKER
41
BRUGH
10, 13, 22, 23, 35
BRUMBAUGH
63
BRUNER
18a
BRUNERMER
18a, 25, 29
BRUSH
11
BRUSHART
34
BRYAN
18a, 21, 34, 58, 59, 65, 68
BRYSON
4, 7, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18bc, 22, 24, 25, 30, 50, 51, 54, 62
BUCHANAN
4, 6, 9, 22, 23, 61, 62, 63, 64
BUCHER
18b
BUCKLIN
43
BUDD
9
BUECHLE
16, 22, 23
BUFFINGTON
9, 10, 12, 23
BUFFORD
43
BUHL
2, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 19, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30
BULFORD
9, 18ac
BULGER
19, 59
BULLARD
11, 45
BULLMAN
18b, 49, 66, 69
BULLOCK
46
BULTER
23
BUNCE
46
BURBADGE
35
BURBRIDGE
4, 24
BURCH
18a
BURCHARD
29
BURCHFIELD
19
BURD
4
BURFORD
18b, 41
BURGOYNE
6
BURK
19
BURKBICHLER
41
BURKE
17, 22, 46, 47
BURKHARDT
27
BURKHART
4, 6, 7, 9, 18c, 22, 24, 34, 46
BURNETT
66
BURNS
4, 18abc, 20, 29, 33, 37, 42, 46, 56, 57
BURNSIDE
17, 18b
BURNSIDES
BURNSIDES continued
4, 18b
BURR
18a, 25, 29
BURROWS
4, 60
BURRY
18abc, 28, 29, 57
BURTNER
7, 9, 17, 18abc, 23, 36, 37
BURTON
33, 34, 45
BUSH
18b, 29
BUSSER
29
BUTLER
1, 3, 6, 8, 12, 13, 17, 18c, 19, 21, 28
BUTTS
65
BUTZ
27, 55
BUXTON
33
BUZZARD
46
BYER
19, 45
BYERLY
9, 35, 38
BYERS
4, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18bc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 50, 64
BYRNE
17, 33, 37
BYRNES
43

C.

CABLE
18bc, 25
CAESAR
56
CAHEY
54
CAIRNS
17, 38
CALDWELL
18ac, 30, 35, 39, 43, 44, 60, 61, 68
CALENDER
37
CALL
5, 6, 48
CALLAHAN
4, 40, 42, 43, 46
CALLAN
21
CALLERY
14
CALVERT
16, 43, 67
CAMERON
18a, 23, 46
CAMP
18b
CAMPBELL

CAMPBELL continued
4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18a bc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 30, 33, 34, 39, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 56, 59, 61, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68
CANAAN
4
CANDERS
18a
CANDOR
23
CANFIELD
47, 66
CANNON
18b, 19, 21
CANTWELL
40
CAPTAIN PETER
2
CAREY
19
CARL
38, 61, 63
CARLIN
46
CARLL
19
CARMAN
46
CARMODY
23
CARNAHAN
4, 6, 7, 9, 16, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 28, 34, 69
CARNER
18c
CARNS
7, 9, 14, 18a, 21, 22, 23
CAROTHERS
4, 5, 8, 10, 18c, 33, 51, 52
CARPENTER
8, 19
CARR
4, 8, 18c, 27, 30, 64
CARRINGER
43
CARROLL
22, 29, 47
CARROTHERS
3, 4
CARRUTHERS
22, 32, 50, 57, 69
CARSNER
22
CARSON
4, 12, 16, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 37, 38, 64, 66
CARTER
2, 4, 10, 50, 53, 57, 59
CARTWRIGHT
18a
CARUTHERS
17, 18b
CARVAN
CARVAN continued
4, 42
CASEY
4, 19
CASHDOLLAR
18b, 29, 32
CASNER
4
CASSIDY
18a
CASSINER
18c
CASTLE
18b
CATE
42
CATHER
47
CATNEY
21
CAULEY
46
CEINER
18b
CELERON
17
CELORON
2
CHALFANT
14
CHAMBERS
4, 6, 17, 19, 23, 66, 67
CHAMPLIN
3
CHANDLER
11, 18c, 22, 23, 61
CHANTLER
18c, 20, 23
CHAPIN
67
CHAPMAN
43, 45
CHARLES II
3
CHARLEVOIX
19
CHATHAM
46
CHEERS
29
CHEESEMAN
57
CHENIWETT
6
CHESEBRO
46
CHESNEY
36
CHESTER
16
CHRISTIE
4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18ab, 19, 22, 23, 25, 46, 49, 51, 52, 56, 57, 65, 66, 68
CHRISTLEY
9, 10, 18abc, 50, 51, 60, 61, 65
CHRISTLY
63
CHRISTMAN
18a
CHRISTOPHEL
55
CHRISTY
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 27, 40, 41, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 61, 64, 65, 66
CHURCH
69
CHURCHILL
43
CIST
12, 27
CLARK
4, 6, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 29, 36, 39, 41, 43, 45, 46, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 66
CLARKE
18bc, 56
CLAUGGERS
61
CLAY
10, 15, 29, 50
CLAYS
29
CLEELAND
17, 18ac, 22, 56, 57
CLEMENS
46
CLEMENTS
36
CLENDENNIN
18b
CLENDENNING
37
CLEVELAND
43, 49
CLIFFORD
57
CLIFTON
46
CLOUGH
18b
CLOUSE
53, 58
CLOWES
4, 21
CLOWS
6
CLOYER
47
CLUGSTON
4, 39
CLUSE
18c
CLUTTON
18c, 59, 61
CLUXTON
46
CLYDE
66
CLYMER
19, 23
COAST
19
COATES

COATES continued
4, 53
COATS
5, 6, 7, 9, 16, 31, 33, 38, 52
COCHQUACAUKEHLTON
2
COCHRAN
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 15, 18bc, 21, 22, 23, 43, 48, 49, 58, 62, 63, 64, 67
CODY
22, 42, 64
COE
18b
COFFEY
22
COFFIN
46
COKAINE
63
COLBERT
5, 7, 9, 10, 18c, 19, 21, 22, 23
COLBY
43
COLE
4, 23, 46
COLEMAN
17, 18ac, 43
COLESTON
18b
COLL
7, 9, 12, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23
COLLIER
18b, 61
COLLINGWOOD
18b
COLLINS
1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 21, 22, 23, 29, 36, 41, 42, 43, 49, 59
COLLUM
49
COLMER
4, 7, 38
COLTON
60
COLWELL
16
COMERFORD
46
COMPTON
4, 17, 18b, 43, 46
CONABY
32
CONAN
17
CONANT
43
CONARD
23
CONARTHY
43
CONEBY
18b
CONFER
32
CONLEY
CONLEY continued
4, 19, 32, 42, 43
CONLIN
32
CONLY
19
CONN
4, 9, 10, 11, 13, 18ab, 49, 66, 67
CONNER
19, 54
CONNERS
19
CONNERY
64
CONNOLLY
68
CONNOR
17
CONNORS
19
CONRAD
22, 23, 66
CONSTABLE
49
CONSTANTINE
55
CONTRECOUER
19
CONVERY
21
CONWAY
4, 9, 22, 42, 44, 45, 48, 49, 51, 52, 64, 66, 67
CONWELL
22
COOBAN
49
COOK
4, 6, 17, 18a, 40, 44, 52, 53, 57, 61, 66, 69
COOKSON
31
COOLY
10
COOMBS
18a
COONS
45
COOPER
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 18abc, 19, 22, 25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 39, 43, 47, 48, 54, 57, 58, 60, 61, 69
COPELAND
4, 18c, 37
CORANS
18a
CORBETT
18c, 19, 51
CORBIT
51
CORE
16, 22, 29, 43
CORNELIUS
9, 10, 17, 18ab, 58, 59
CORNELL
29
CORNISH
CORNISH continued
52
CORNPLANTER
3, 19, 62
CORNWALLIS
6, 17
COROTHERS
38, 67
CORRIGAN
3
CORRY
49
CORT
11, 28
CORTS
47
CORTUS
2
COSBY
4
COSSITT
11
COTTON
61
COULTER
4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 18bc, 21, 22, 23, 34, 46, 49, 50, 51, 52, 58, 59, 60, 61, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69
COURTNEY
4, 46
COUSINS
6, 18a
COVERT
4, 7, 9, 17, 18abc, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 50, 57, 59, 60, 61, 66
COWAN
18abc, 19, 25, 31, 32
COWDEN
4, 9, 11, 18c, 19, 23, 55, 56, 57
COX
18c, 37
COXSWAIN
67
COYLE
4, 17, 40, 42
COZENS
4
CRAIG
4, 9, 15, 17, 18ab, 22, 43, 44, 48, 49, 56, 57, 59, 63, 66, 69
CRAIN
65
CRAINE
17
CRAM
46
CRAMER
7, 9, 18ab, 38
CRANAGE
39
CRANER
18c
CRANEY
32
CRANMER
18b, 24, 50, 53

CRATTY
4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 17, 18abc, 22, 23, 24, 25, 38, 53, 54, 56, 57
CRAWFORD
4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18bc, 21, 23, 24, 25, 31, 33, 43, 45, 50, 53, 66, 67, 68, 69
CREA
31
CREADON
64
CREALY
18c
CREEDON
22
CREEK
18b
CREELY
18a
CREIGHTON
23
CRESS
17, 18ac, 25
CRESSLER
43
CRIBBS
29
CRIDER
29, 31
CRILEY
6, 23, 24
CRILL
61
CRINER
33
CRISE
18b
CRISPIN
7, 18c, 34
CRISS
9
CRISSWELL
12
CRISWELL
1, 4, 7, 9, 14, 17, 18ac, 19, 20, 21, 23, 30, 31, 32, 33, 37, 45, 47
CRITCHLOW
4, 9, 13, 17, 18abc, 19, 25, 29, 30, 31, 33, 54, 55, 59, 60, 61
CROCKER
18ac
CROFT
10, 19, 29, 30, 31
CROFTS
18b
CROGHAN
6
CROLL
19, 59
CROMLING
46
CROMM
23
CRONENWETT
22, 24, 25
CROOKS
6, 18ac, 33
CROOKSHANKS
18a
CROOSIKS
4, 42
CROPPER
18c
CROSIER
2
CROSS
4, 9, 15, 17, 18a, 21, 46, 51, 58, 60, 61, 63, 65, 69
CROSSMAN
10, 18a
CROUP
6, 18b
CROUSE
12, 21, 22, 54
CROW
61
CROWE
4, 6, 19, 25, 30, 32
CROWELL
49
CROWL
18c, 63
CROWLEY
19
CROY
21, 23
CROZIER
2, 7, 9, 15, 16, 17, 18a, 21, 22, 23
CRUIKSHANK
4, 7, 17, 20, 38, 39
CRUM
66
CRUMPTON
22
CUBBISON
16, 17, 63
CULBERTSON
67
CULLINAN
11, 46
CULLOM
23
CULLY
21
CULVER
29
CUMBERLAND
4, 18b, 44
CUMMINGS
5, 9, 10, 12, 15, 18c, 19, 21, 22, 23, 39, 49, 54, 57
CUMMINS
9, 10, 15, 18ab, 22, 63, 64
CUNNINGHAM
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18abc, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 33, 34, 37, 38, 43, 50, 52, 64, 67, 69
CUPP
18b, 40
CUPPS
9, 23
CURBERSON
CURBERSON continued
29
CURRAN
2, 18ab, 43, 61
CURRITHERS
16
CURRY
2, 4, 16, 18bc, 52, 53, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67
CURTIN
9, 18b
CURTIS
14
CUSHAWMEKWY
2
CUSTALOGA
2
CUSTARD
17
CUTHBERT
15
CUTHBERTSON
14
CUTLER
54
CYPHER
4, 5, 9, 17, 18ab, 38, 39, 40, 42, 46

D.

D'AILLON
19
DAILY
18b, 46
DAIN
16
DAIRY
4
DAISEY
18a
DALE
9, 19, 23, 43, 45, 61
DALTON
18a
DALZELL
18b
DAMBACH
4, 18c, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31
DAMBACHER
27
DANIEL
18b
DANIELS
4, 23, 54, 58, 64
DANKS
30, 33
DANN
57
DARBY
30, 39
DARLING
47
DARLINGTON
6
DARRAH
10
DARRAR
49
DARVAINVILLE

DARVAINVILLE continued
18a
DAUB
18ab
DAUBENSPECK
4, 17, 18abc, 19, 43, 45, 66, 68
DAUBERT
28
DAUGHERTY
18c, 46, 61
DAUM
43
DAUSCH
41
DAVID
4, 6, 7, 9, 14, 18, 21, 22, 33
DAVIDSON
2, 4, 18b, 23, 32, 34, 60,
DAVIN
48
DAVIS
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 37, 38, 49, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58
DAVISON
18b
DAWSON
43, 52
DAY
18bc, 43
DEAN
6, 18bc, 46, 56, 58, 61, 62
DEBENDARFER
27
DECHANT
28, 54, 55
DECKER
45, 46, 47, 51, 66, 68
DE COLIERE
11
DE COURCEY
46
DEEDS
57
DEEHAND
24
DEENER
40
DEER
9
DEETS
18b, 57
DE HART
36
DEHAVEN
18b
DEITER
18c
DEITRICK
11, 18a
DE KALB
6
DELAMETER
20
DELAWARE DANIEL
DELAWARE DANIEL continued
2
DELAWARE GEORGE
2
DELO
43, 49, 52, 66, 69
DELONG
17
DEMER
18c
DEMPSEY
30
DENHOLM
46
DENNISON
4, 11, 15, 18c, 43, 58, 68
DENNY
4, 6, 9, 10, 17, 18ac, 19, 20, 21, 33, 39, 40, 42, 49
DENTON
43
DERR
21
DERRIMORE
5, 18bc, 22
DERSHEIMER
24
DERSHINER
18a
DE RUSSEY
18c
DESSETT
61
DETZER
35
DEVAT
18b
DEVICTOR
18a
DEVINE
21
DEVINNEY
18a
DEVLIN
22, 48
DE WOLF
6, 7, 9, 11, 21, 23, 60, 61, 65
DE WOLFE
11, 43, 65
DICK
4, 7, 9, 18bc, 21, 22, 23, 25, 34, 53, 54, 58
DICKEY
4, 12, 16, 18bc, 21, 22, 32, 34, 49, 54, 58, 60, 61, 66
DICKIE
67
DICKISON
5
DICKSON
18ab, 51, 59, 60, 66, 67
DICUS
15
DIEBOLD
41
DIEFFENBACHER
DIEFFENBACHER continued
18b, 22, 28
DIEHL
28
DIEMER
27
DIERKIN
43
DIETER
43
DIETRICH
25
DIETZ
15
DIFFENBACKER
23
DIGHT
29, 58
DIGNAM
48
DIKE
39
DILL
46
DILLAMAN
18a
DILLIMAN
18b
DILLMAN
29, 58
DILLO
43, 44, 49, 66
DILWORTH
35
DIMMICK
46
DIMOND
66
DINDINGER
27, 28
DINE
43
DINSMORE
34, 48, 58
DINWIDDIE
2
DISSNER
40
DITTMER
41
DIVENER
19, 43
DIXON
4, 7, 9, 22, 30, 33, 34
DOBBINS
17
DOBBS
7, 9, 10, 21, 22, 54
DOBSON
4, 17, 18ac
DOCKLER
41
DODD
6
DODDS
4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 22, 25, 30, 31, 34, 45, 51, 53, 54, 64, 66
DOERR
35, 36, 38

DOLAN
43
DOMBART
18a, 29, 57
DOMBAUGH
58
DOMENEC
22, 30, 48
DOMER
61, 66
DOMHOFF
55
DONAGHY
9, 62, 63
DONALDSON
7, 8, 9, 17, 18abc, 26, 29, 32, 33, 51, 57, 59, 66, 67, 68
DONCASTER
59
DONLEY
9, 10, 11
DONNELLY
10, 14, 19, 21
DONOGHEY
4
DONOHUE
40
DORSEY
42, 43
DOUBLE
18b, 43, 53, 54, 56, 58, 65
DOUDHISER
17
DOUGAL
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 21, 23, 24, 35, 40, 61
DOUGHERTY
4, 18c, 19, 21, 23, 35, 40, 42, 46, 49, 62, 63
DOUGLAS
3, 4, 6, 54
DOUGLASS
3, 4, 18b, 21, 29, 38, 40, 48, 54, 57, 58, 59
DOUTHETT
6, 7, 9, 13, 15, 16, 18ac, 19, 23, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39
DOUTT
18a, 25
DOWLER
19
DOWNING
4,10, 23
DOWNS
61
DOYLE
38, 40, 42, 64
DRAIN
18bc
DRAKE
19
DRAUBAUGH
57
DRAVO
61
DREBERT
29
DRENMAN
22
DRENNAN
29
DRENNEN
25
DRESCHER
36
DRESHER
18ac, 36
DRESSER
43
DREW
18c
DROLLINGER
35, 36
DRUM
7
DRUSCHEL
53
DUBERRY
7
DUCHESS
9
DUDLEY
48
DUFF
11, 18ac, 33, 39, 40
DUFFIELD
30
DUFFORD
9, 18b, 22, 24, 34, 51, 53
DUFFY
3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18bc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 38, 40, 42, 46, 51
DUGAN
4, 10, 18a, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 48, 64
DUKE
4
DULL
10, 22
DUMARS
69
DUMM
61
DUNBAR
4, 5, 7, 9, 14, 17, 18abc, 21, 24, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33
DUNCAN
4, 7, 9, 10, 18abc, 25, 29, 31, 32, 33
DUNHAM
15
DUNLAP
4, 9, 10, 18abc, 21, 23, 38, 42, 43, 51, 54, 57, 68
DUNN
4, 6, 15, 17, 18abc, 26, 29, 33, 47, 51, 53, 54, 60, 65
DUNNING
4
DUNSEATH
4
DUNWOODY
DU PANCHELL
11
DUPREY
47
DURANT
43
DURE
4
DURHAM
18a, 42
DURNEIGH
4, 42
DURNEY
42
DURR
39
DURST
27, 54, 55, 59
DUTTER
18b, 53
DWYER
64
DYKE
25

E.

EADY
34
EAGAL
52
EAGLE
25, 61
EAKIN
6, 18ab, 69
EANEAZ
4
EARHART
16, 47
EASLEY
38
EASTMAN
9, 10, 12, 18a, 21, 23
EASTON
31
EATON
30
EBA
18a
EBERHART
23
EBERLE
41
EBERT
37
ECKLES
18a, 57
ECKLEY
10
ECOCK
19
EDDY
4
EDGAR
18a
EDMONDS
11, 24, 25, 28, 66
EDMONDSON
25, 62
EDMUNDS
11, 68

EDMUNDSON
10, 54
EDWARDS
18bc, 22, 23, 34, 39, 68
EGAN
10, 18c, 42
EGBERT
19
EGGERT
11, 57, 68
EGLE
6
EHRENFELT
43
EHRHART
65
EHRMAN
38, 39
EHRMANN
29
EICHBAR
66
EICHENAUER
18c
EICHENLAUB
19, 41
EICHERT
18c, 26
EICHOLZ
19, 29
EICHOLTZ
15, 22, 27, 59
EIDENBERG
49
EISENHART
36
EISENHUT
48
EISENMINGER
41
EITENMILLER
19, 21, 43
EKAS
9, 18a, 33, 37, 38
EKIN
4, 5, 18b, 25, 51
EKIS
18ab
ELDER
3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 18ab, 31, 62, 69
ELEAN
5
ELEUTHERIUS
41
ELIASON
19, 43
ELKIN
18b
ELLENBERGER
18b, 36, 43, 44, 45
ELLIOTT
4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 36, 38, 43, 46, 47, 52, 58, 59, 62, 65
ELLSWORTH
59
ELRICK
11, 63
ELWARNER
18c
EMBRY
5
EMERICK
5, 6, 18c, 21, 22, 31, 35, 44, 45, 47, 65, 66
EMERSON
20, 47, 64
EMERY
6, 7, 9, 17, 18a, 19, 38, 44, 47, 49, 58, 61, 66
EMMELL
29, 31
EMMERLING
11
EMMINGER
17, 18b, 36
EMMETT
31
EMORY
18bc
EMPICH
21, 42
EMPISH
4
EMPY
12, 21
ENDRES
14, 15, 27, 29
ENGEL
36
ENGELDER
35, 39
ENGLEHART
18b
ENGLISH
18bc, 19, 31, 46, 53, 54, 56, 57
ENLER
29
ENOCH
43
ENSINGER
49
ENSLEN
7, 15, 26, 28, 54
ENSMINGER
21, 23
EPPINGER
28
ERB
18b
ERVIN
45, 46
ERWIN
4, 7, 19
ESHENBAUGH
18ab
ESINGTON
4
ESPY
46, 57
ETZEL
18bc, 21, 23, 48
ETZELL
21
EUARD
4
EVANS
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, 43, 46, 47, 54, 59, 62, 63, 64, 66, 68
EVERETT
11
EVERS
4, 16
EVERSON
67
EWALT
9, 21, 33, 38, 52
EWING
18c, 33, 60, 61
EXTEL
18b
EXTER
18a
EYKES
45
EYTH
5, 21, 23, 48, 59, 61

F.

FAGAN
59
FAIR
4, 5, 18abc, 39, 43, 47, 52, 66
FAIRMAN
12
FAIRMOUNT
49
FALKNER
39
FALLER
18c, 23, 24
FALLS
55
FALLSTEIN
55
FARNAN
43
FARNEN
42
FARNSWORTH
10, 22
FARR
18c
FARREL
23
FARRELL
3, 14
FARREN
19, 64
FAST
39
FAUBLE
21
FAWCETT
15
FAY
16, 18a
FEHL
23, 25
FEIGEL
21, 23
FEIGLE

FEIGLE continued
8, 23
FELBER
36
FELDMAN
22
FELGES
41
FELKER
43
FELL
9
FENNELL
18c, 40
FERGUSON
2, 4, 10, 14, 21, 22, 25, 29, 30, 31, 43, 48, 54, 60, 65, 67, 68
FERREE
9, 33, 38, 52
FERRERO
5, 10, 13, 15, 23
FERRY
4, 22, 42, 43, 64
FETTER
15, 18c, 22, 23, 43, 55
FETTERMAN
9
FETZER
15, 36, 43
FEZELL
4
FIDLER
46, 66
FIEDLER
5, 9, 11, 21, 26, 27, 28, 64
FIELD
67
FIELDING
10, 18ab
FIELDS
17, 58
FIFE
11, 45, 64, 66
FILLMORE
9
FILNY
18a
FINDLEY
3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 50, 51, 54, 57, 61
FINEGAN
23
FINERTY
25
FISHEL
19
FISHER
6, 16, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 34, 56, 57, 58, 59
FISK
39, 43
FITCH
49
FITHIAN
11, 18ac, 47, 66
FITZGERALD
42, 46
FITZGIBBONS
3
FITZGIBBONS continued
3
FITZSIMMONS
4, 6, 12, 18a, 21, 23, 35, 42
FLACK
43
FLAKE
17
FLANNAGAN
21
FLANNIGAN
42
FLECK
41
FLEEGER
4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 18abc, 19, 23, 42, 43, 48, 52
FLEGAR
43
FLEMING
10, 18abc, 23, 26, 27, 28, 38, 39, 44, 46, 60, 61, 68, 69
FLETCHER
4, 9, 10, 14, 19, 24, 25, 43, 44, 46, 53, 59, 66, 68
FLICK
4, 15, 18c, 33, 37, 41
FLINNER
25, 55
FLOCK
43
FLOHR
36
FLOOD
10
FLOWERS
24
FLOYD
61, 65, 66
FLYNN
69
FOEHRINGER
28
FOGAL
65
FORGEUS
18b
FOGG
18b
FOGLE
18c, 27
FOLEY
18b
FOLTZ
10, 17, 21, 22, 23
FOLWELL
66
FOOTE
46
FOOTZ
32
FORCHT
18a, 46
FOREMAN
18a, 23, 49
FORKER
62, 63
FORMAN
19, 44
FORMAN continued
19, 44
FORQUER
4, 9, 10, 18a, 19, 21, 42, 43, 46, 64
FORREST
7
FORRESTER
2, 4, 11, 15, 17, 18bc, 19, 53, 54, 56
FORRINGER
4, 44
FORST
43, 58
FORSYTH
18b, 67
FORSYTHE
18c, 30, 32
FOSTER
3, 7, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18b, 19, 36, 39, 43, 46, 49
FOULK
61
FOWLER
4, 6, 11, 14, 18c, 21, 29, 45, 46, 66, 67, 68, 69
FOWSER
22
FOWZER
16, 18a
FOX
10, 18b, 19, 39
FRAIL
18a
FRAIZIER
17
FRANCE
22, 33
FRANCKE
36
FRANK
18a, 23, 36, 39
FRANKE
36
FRANKEL
23
FRANKLE
41, 43
FRANKLIN
4, 18a
FRANTZ
18b, 31
FRASER
49
FRAZIER
2, 7, 8, 9, 15, 17, 18bc, 19, 21, 23, 25, 29, 35, 37, 43, 51, 56, 57
FREDERICK
19, 27, 41, 42, 43
FREDLEY
18c, 38
FREED
18a
FREELING
18b
FREEMAN
4, 5, 7, 18bc, 24, 31,

FREEMAN continued
52, 55
FREMONT
9
FRENCH
4, 18a, 46, 61
FRESHWATER
22
FREW
17
FRICK
18ab
FRICKENSTEIN
11
FRIEDMAN
41, 48
FRIEL
42
FRIEND
18b
FRISHCORN
18c
FRISHKORN
25, 27, 29
FRITSCHE
36
FRITZ
22, 23, 38, 52
FRITZELBACH
18b
FRONSINGER
19
FROST
5, 49
FRUHLING
20, 39
FRUTH
35
FRY
9, 18ac, 24, 25, 38
FRYER
4, 7, 9, 21, 24, 33, 52
FUHRMANN
36
FULKMAN
12, 57, 61
FULLER
18a
FULLERTON
23
FULMER
18b
FULTON
4, 5, 17, 18c, 25, 33, 61, 63
FULYARD
21
FUNK
4, 5, 6, 21, 60, 62
FUNSTON
34
FURGESON
9
FURMAN
58

G.

GABLE
23
GAEBE
31
GAGHN
58
GAHAGAN
19, 22
GAILEY
10, 19, 22, 49
GAILY
58
GAISFORD
15, 43
GAITHER
6
GALBRAITH
4, 5, 10, 12, 17, 21, 23, 30, 32, 35, 52, 57
GALBREATH
4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 14, 18b, 22, 23, 33, 38, 39, 61
GALEY
43
GALL
7, 12
GALLAGHER
4, 6, 8, 9, 15, 17, 18a bc, 19, 22, 23, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 54, 56, 58, 59, 64
GALLAUDET
22
GALLISSIONERE
2
GALLOWAY
25, 45, 54, 65
GAMBLE
18c, 30, 43, 45, 47
GANSZ
18a, 26, 29
GANTER
23, 41
GAPEN
21
GARBER
23
GARDNER
4, 18ac, 31, 38, 46, 57, 58, 64, 67
GARING
46
GARLACH
41
GARNER
43, 45
GARVER
18b
GARRARD
52
GARRET
18b
GARRETT
16, 43
GARVEY
9, 10, 18b, 54, 56
GARVIN
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 18ab c, 19, 29, 31
GASTON
17
GATELY
12, 35
GATES
6, 69
GATHERS
43
GAULT
9
GAUTER
21
GAWEAL
4
GAYZARN
6
GEARY
18b
GEDDES
43
GEIBEL
48
GEIGELMAYER
41
GEIGER
4
GEISLAND
17
GELBACH
27, 29, 30
GEMPER
23
GEORGE
14, 18bc, 46, 58, 61, 63
GERMICH
11
GERNER
45
GERSTEN
36
GERSTNER
36, 48
GERWIG
27
GESHWIND
22
GESSNER
29
GETTYS
11
GEYER
47
GEYERSTANGER
41
GEZOWSKY
41
GHOST
18b
GIBB
18a
GIBBS
4, 41
GIBLE
5
GIBSON
2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 25, 30, 36, 37, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 50, 52, 55, 61, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69
GIESLER

GIESLER continued
18c
GIFFORD
46
GILBERT
55, 66
GILCHRIST
4, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 51, 64
GILDERSLEEVE
17
GILFILLAN
51, 58, 63, 64, 66
GILKY
22
GILL
17, 18a, 19, 31, 58, 60, 61, 62, 63
GILLEN
18b
GILLESPIE
4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 27, 28, 31, 37, 42, 43, 48, 66
GILLILAND
4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 14, 15, 18abc, 22, 25, 30, 32, 33, 34, 41
GILLPATRICK
18a
GILMER
18a, 63, 68
GILMORE
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 16, 17, 18b, 21, 22, 23, 46, 63, 64
GIRTY
2, 3, 4, 6, 25
GIST
2
GIVEN
46
GIVENS
19, 44
GLASCOW
18c
GLASGOW
18c
GLASS
4, 18b, 21, 23, 29, 34, 43
GLASSER
57
GLAZE
18a
GLEASON
11
GLENN
13, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 38, 43, 49, 50, 51, 57, 58, 59, 61, 65, 66
GLOSSNER
47
GLOVER
4, 17, 32
GODDARD
29, 32
GODFREY
47
GOEBEL
36
GOEHRING
18a, 19, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
GOETZ
23
GOLD
4, 5, 7, 17, 18abc, 30, 37, 41, 48
GOLDEN
19, 23, 35, 43
GOLDINGER
18b, 42
GOLL
9, 17
GOODALL
11
GOODMAN
46
GOODWIN
43, 63
GOODYEAR
18b
GORDON
4, 18b, 23, 39, 47, 49
GORLEY
59
GORMAN
18ab
GORMLEY
40, 58, 64, 67
GORTLAND
45
GOSEWITCH
36
GOSSER
14
GOSTENCNIK
41
GOTHAM
46
GOUCHER
9, 10, 13, 23
GOUDER
14
GOULD
51
GOURLEY
61
GRABE
35, 39
GRACE
19
GRAEFE
36
GRAFF
36, 40
GRAFT
69
GRAHAM
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 54, 59, 65, 66, 69
GRAND
46
GRANT
4, 9, 10, 12, 15, 18c, 19, 28, 69
GRATZ
21
GRAY
4, 14, 17, 18a, 22, 23, 25, 30, 43
GRAZIER
43
GREAVES
18a
GREAVIS
57
GRECK
41
GREGG
9, 21
GREGORY
18a, 29, 48
GREEN
4, 17, 18a, 19, 23, 27, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 61, 64, 65, 66
GREENAWALT
22
GREENING
29
GREENLEE
19, 22, 23, 58
GREENWOOD
18b, 39, 46
GREER
7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18abc, 22, 23, 29, 33, 36, 38, 41, 48, 54, 56, 61
GREILICH
41
GRENNIS
22
GREY
18c
GRIBBEN
7, 9, 19, 35
GRIEB
21, 23
GRIEFF
43
GRIESBACH
29
GRIFFIN
4, 18b, 42, 46, 49, 69
GRIFFITH
14, 29, 61
GRIM
18c, 48
GRIMES
7
GRIMM
18b, 52, 58
GRIMMER
41
GRINDER
4, 18bc
GRINE
61
GRINER
37
GRINNUE
18b

GROGAN
43
GROHMAN
19, 23
GROOM
68
GROOVER
49
GROSS
27, 28
GROSSENOR
9
GROSSMAN
4, 11, 15, 17, 18bc, 43, 54, 58, 59, 61, 65
GROVE
18c, 61
GROVES
29, 61, 67
GROVER
28
GROW
9, 45
GRUB
22
GRUBBS
18ac, 43
GRUCY
17
GRUENERT
41
GRUNDY
43
GRUNER
18b
GRUNERT
35
GRUPEN
45
GRUVER
18c, 24
GUCKENHEIMER
38
GUCKERT
20
GUFFEY
6
GUFFY
4
GULL
28
GUMPPER
18c, 40, 41, 43
GUNDLACH
39
GUNN
4
GUTEKUNST
55
GUTHRIE
13, 18c, 19, 32, 35, 46, 57
GUY
18a
GUYASUTHA
2
GUYER
18bc, 33
GWINN
22, 43

H.

HAACKE
27
HAAS
39
HABERLIN
22
HACKETT
18b, 49
HAFELE
46
HAFFA
21
HAGEN
42
HAGENS
4
HAGERTY
4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18a, 21, 22, 23, 42
HAGGERTY
4, 42, 64
HAHN
43
HAIN
18c
HAINE
28, 31
HAINES
4, 18b, 19, 43, 47, 56
HAIT
18c
HALDERMAN
15, 18ac, 66, 67, 69
HALE
4, 5, 39
HALER
18c
HALF KING
2
HALL
4, 5, 18bc, 21, 23, 29, 31, 32, 33, 44, 47, 50, 54, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 66
HALLECK
10
HALLER
28, 54
HALSTEAD
18ac, 37, 38, 39
HALLSTEIN
28, 55
HAMBLE
25
HAMBLY
49
HAMEL
18a, 30, 34
HAMIL
19
HAMILTON
4, 6, 10, 18bc, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 34, 35, 38, 39, 48, 49, 51, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67
HAMMEL
6
HAMMER
25
HAMMIL
17, 18c
HAMOR
10, 18a, 47
HAMPSON
6, 9, 53, 58
HANAGHAN
18a
HANCOCK
9, 12, 18b, 19
HAND
17, 46
HANEY
9, 18b
HANKEY
18c
HANLEN
4, 9, 21, 22, 42
HANLEY
4
HANLON
43
HANNA
14, 46, 56, 57, 65, 66
HANNABERRY
22, 45
HANNEN
23
HANNON
17
HAPLE
29
HARBAUGH
18ab, 29, 61
HARBISON
2, 4, 6, 9, 10, 17, 18abc, 21, 30, 33, 35, 38
HARDMAN
10, 40
HARDING
43
HARDY
4, 6, 18b, 62, 63
HARE
18a, 49
HARKINS
4, 17, 42
HARKLESS
23, 32
HARLAN
46
HARLAND
58
HARLEY
18bc, 46
HARLIN
18c
HARMER
6
HARNISH
18c, 22, 24
HAROLD
8, 44
HARPER
4, 10, 11, 18abc, 21, 26, 27, 28, 31, 33, 34, 37, 46, 47, 49, 66
HARRIGAN
18c
HARRIS
4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17,

HARRIS continued
18bc, 19, 21, 25, 43, 46, 52, 62, 63
HARRISON
17, 18b, 25, 46
HARROP
44
HARSHAW
44, 46, 68
HARSHMAN
4, 39, 42
HART
18a, 19, 46
HARTENSTEIN
35
HARTL
41
HARTLEY
15, 17, 62, 63, 64, 65
HARTMAN
4, 9, 10, 17, 18c, 19, 23, 25, 28, 42, 43, 45, 55, 61
HARTRANFT
10
HARTUNG
17, 18b, 39
HARTWICK
18b
HARTZEL
27
HARTZELL
13, 26, 27, 31
HARVEY
4, 18bc, 20, 21, 23, 37, 43, 46, 47
HARVISON
57
HASELTINE
23
HASLER
10
HASLETT
9, 10, 12, 14, 18abc, 19, 21, 23
HASSON
49
HASTINGS
18a
HATCH
18a, 46
HAU
41
HAUCK
23
HAUSER
36
HAVEN
53
HAWK
4, 17, 18a, 19, 45, 46
HAWKINS
22, 43, 46
HAWN
45, 59
HAWTON
18b
HAY
10, 18ac, 27, 37, 57
HAYES
6, 23, 27, 66
HAYS
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 16, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 25, 32, 33, 34, 37, 43, 44, 45, 46, 53, 54, 61
HAZELHURST
9
HAZEN
7, 9, 10, 14, 31, 58
HAZLETT
4, 6, 15, 18b, 23, 25, 29, 30, 37, 38, 39, 46, 58, 66, 69
HEADLAND
11, 31
HEALY
43
HEANEY
64
HEATER
63
HEATON
22, 43
HEBERLING
27, 28, 55, 57
HECK
5, 18c, 19, 21, 23, 39, 40, 52, 54
HECKARD
18c
HECKART
24, 43
HECKER
19
HECKERT
18ab, 19, 29, 35, 37, 38
HECKEWELDER
1
HECKLER
46
HECKMAN
29
HEID
19, 30
HEIDRICK
18c, 35, 39
HEIM
41
HEINEMAN
5, 12, 14, 15, 18ac, 21, 22, 23
HEINEMEN
23
HEINER
19
HEISNER
18b
HEINZ
48
HELBRUN
42
HELFER
36
HELFINGER
18c
HELIKER
18a
HELLER
18a, 36, 37
HELM
29
HELMBOLD
15, 17, 19, 23, 29, 36, 39
HELPER
18b
HELSCH
55
HEMENWAY
22
HEMMINGER
39
HEMPHILL
4, 18bc, 19, 37, 42, 43, 44
HENDERSON
4, 9, 18b, 19, 22, 23, 30, 31, 38, 44, 46, 58, 63
HENDLEY
65
HENDRICK
6
HENDRICKSON
35
HENGERER
18b
HENGIST
35
HENLEN
11, 18a, 66, 68
HENNINGER
9
HENNY
22
HENRY
4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 25, 31, 40, 41, 47, 58, 61, 65, 66
HENSHAW
19, 24, 43, 54
HENSHEW
18b, 22, 43, 53, 57
HENSHUE
6
HENSMEL
41
HELPLER
18b, 37, 38
HEPPERT
48
HERBERT
46
HERIDENCE
43
HERMAN
6, 31, 36, 42
HERR
12, 26, 28, 34, 46
HERRINGTON
12
HERRMAN
27
HERRON
37
HERTING
36
HERTZOG
28
HESEDENS
48

HESPELIN
41
HESS
17, 18bc, 39
HESSE
36
HESSELGESSER
13, 39
HETRICK
31
HETZEL
18a
HEVERLING
18c
HEWENS
19
HEWIT
22
HEWITT
17
HEYDRICK
43
HEYL
18a, 54, 57
HIBBARD
49
HICE
10
HICKEY
10, 30, 33, 40
HICKMAN
2, 18c, 36, 54
HICKOMEN
2
HICKS
3, 33
HIDE
18c
HIEM
39
HIESTER
21
HIGBY
61
HIGGINBOTHAM
18c
HIGGINS
3, 4, 19, 64, 66
HIGH
39
HILDEBRAND
30, 48
HILFINGER
18b
HILGZER
18b
HILL
7, 8, 18bc, 21, 32, 38, 39, 48, 60, 61
HILLGER
61
HILLIARD
4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 17 18a bc, 19, 47, 48, 51, 66
HILLMAN
31
HILTON
22
HIMES
43
HINCHBERGER
HINCHBERGER continued
18a
HINDMAN
4, 10, 17, 18a, 19, 43, 45, 46, 51, 60, 65, 66, 68
HINDS
4
HINES
19, 49, 59
HINMAN
46
HINSBERGER
18c
HINTERLANG
48
HIPPE
54, 55
HIPPLE
18c, 54
HIRSH
43
HIRST
39
HITE
21, 23, 45
HOAGLAND
29, 34
HOBAUGH
18b
HOCH
36, 41, 43
HOCKENBERRY
4, 10, 11, 18b, 51, 58, 59, 65
HODGE
60
HODIL
18b
HOEHN
31
HOEPFEL
41
HOEVLER
59
HOFFA
27
HOFFMAN
5, 7, 9, 17, 18ac, 19, 24, 31, 36, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47
HOFFNER
21
HOGAN
4, 6, 18a, 43, 46, 61
HOGE
4, 9, 17, 18a, 52, 59, 60
HOGELAND
29
HOGG
3, 7, 17, 18b, 60
HOGUE
18a
HOHNADLE
29
HOLBEIN
29
HOLLAND
4, 23, 64, 66
HOLLER
HOLLER continued
41
HOLLIDAY
52, 59
HOLLINGSWORTH
4
HOLLISTER
22
HOLLS
27
HOLMAN
11, 52
HOLMES
18ab, 45
HOLT
30
HONEKER
39
HOOD
3, 6, 32, 48
HOOK
23
HOOKS
68
HOON
9, 18abc, 24, 27, 48, 52, 54
HOOVER
11, 15, 18abc, 19, 23, 38, 43, 49, 66, 68
HOPKINS
10, 16, 22, 26, 27, 43
HORIBON
28
HORN
18c, 36
HORNE
19
HORNER
4, 18a, 69
HORTON
4, 39
HOSACK
18c
HOSKINS
43
HOUCHLEY
39
HOUCK
17
HOUGHTON
47
HOUSEHOLDER
27, 28
HOUSTON
29
HOUTON
18b
HOVEY
29
HOVIS
18bc, 45
HOWARD
11, 21, 23, 63
HOWARTH
39
HOWE
6, 22, 23, 29
HOWELL
28
HOWLAND

HOWLAND continued
47
HOY
64
HOYE
11
HOYT
15, 18a, 19, 43
HUBER
28
HUBING
18c
HUDSON
4, 5, 10, 16, 18a, 29
HUESTON
58
HUEY
18a, 21, 37
HUFFMAN
18b
HUGHES
4, 5, 16, 18bc, 23, 34, 40, 46, 64, 69
HULING
52
HULL
51, 66, 67
HULSINGER
18c
HULTZ
4, 33
HUMES
39, 40, 59, 66
HUMMEL
18b
HUMPHREY
4, 7, 9, 11, 15, 18a, 21, 23, 25, 51, 56, 57, 58, 61, 63, 67
HUMPHREYS
6
HUNGELMEYER
27
HUNT
32, 51
HUNTER
2, 4, 13, 15, 17, 18bc, 24, 27, 30, 32, 33, 38, 42, 43, 52, 53, 54, 57
HUNTZBERGER
28, 29
HURLBURT
49
HURLEY
5
HUSELTON
5, 10, 11, 18abc, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 43, 49, 61
HUSTON
17, 22, 34
HUTCHINS
18c
HUTCHINSON
18c, 35, 37, 60
HUTCHISON
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 31, 35, 44, 48, 49, 50, 65, 68
HUTCHMAN
HUTCHMAN continued
32, 33, 60
HUTZLY
25
HYACINTH
41
HYDRON
21
HYLE
15, 18c, 28, 29
HYLES
18b
HYSKELL
18a

I.

IAMS
51, 66
IDDINGS
59
IFFT
27, 29, 30
IHMSEN
23
ILLIGER
22
IMBRIE
9, 14, 35, 37, 54
INGRAHAM
30, 66
IRELAND
34, 46
IRISH
38, 52, 67
IRONS
29, 57
IRVIN
12, 13, 14, 18abc, 19
IRVINE
3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18ac, 21, 23, 25, 30, 32, 59
IRWIN
4, 7, 10, 18ab, 21, 23, 30, 44, 52, 67
ISAMINGER
61
ISEMAN
29
ISSENSE
39, 54
ISRAEL
6, 7
IVORY
10

J.

JACK
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 17, 18ab, 19, 20, 21, 23, 37, 43, 48, 49, 58, 65, 66, 69
JACKMAN
39
JACKSON
4, 5, 6, 9, 12, 17, 18b, 22, 23, 38, 43, 44, 47, 61
JACOBS
JACOBS continued
41
JAMES
18abc
JAMESON
4, 7, 9, 17, 45, 46, 49
JAMISON
10, 13, 18abc, 19, 23, 24, 25, 29, 37, 42, 46, 49, 51, 65, 67, 68, 69
JARVIS
4
JEFFERS
31
JEFFERSON
21, 53
JEFFRY
34
JELLISON
46
JENKINS
2, 43, 63, 66
JENKS
23
JENNINGS
19, 43, 46, 68
JESKAKAKE
2
JESSUP
49
JEWELL
23, 46, 47, 62
JOHN
4
JOHNS
55
JOHNSON
4, 5, 10, 12, 15, 17, 18bc, 19, 23, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 43, 46, 47
JOHNSTON
4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 29, 31, 32, 33, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47, 52, 57, 62, 63, 64, 66
JOICE
22
JOLLY
4, 6, 17, 18c, 67
JONCAIRE
2, 19
JONES
3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 14, 18ac, 19, 22, 23, 25, 29, 37, 38, 39, 46, 52, 53, 54, 57, 59, 63
JORDAN
4, 5, 12, 17, 32, 39, 46
JOSEPH
18b
JOSEPHS
58
JUNE
43, 47
JUNG
27
JUNKIN
31

JURY
46
JUSTICE
9, 61

K.

KAHLE
69
KAISER
36, 43
KALB
18a
KALER
18c, 54
KALTENBAUGH
18a, 25, 34
KAMERER
18ab, 43, 44, 49
KANE
23, 29, 32, 47
KAPP
68
KAPPLER
23
KARNS
1, 5, 14, 19, 47, 49
KARRICK
21
KARSHNER
39
KATZ
18bc, 37
KAUFFMAN
27, 39, 49, 61
KAUFFMANN
6, 29
KAUFHOLD
39
KAUFMAN
61
KAUTSCH
18a
KAY
18ac
KAYLER
29
KAYLOR
18a, 19, 44
KEAGLE
22
KEAN
23, 47
KEARNS
4, 9, 10, 16, 19, 21, 22, 24, 45, 49, 52
KEASEY
39
KECK
9, 21, 23, 39
KEEFE
46
KEEFER
18b, 26, 45
KEELY
29
KEEVER
18c
KEFFER
59
KEISER
KEISER continued
48
KEITH
37, 38
KELCHNER
45
KELKER
5, 21, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
KELLERMAN
42, 47, 64, 67, 69
KELLEY
18c, 21, 23
KELLER
4
KELLY
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 24, 29, 38, 46, 50, 51, 54, 56, 58, 60, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69
KELLOGG
46
KELSO
65
KELSY
11, 18c
KELTY
54
KEMP
18c, 43
KEMPER
21, 22, 23, 41, 43
KENNEDY
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 24, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 53, 54, 56, 57, 60
KENRICK
22, 42
KENT
9
KEPPEL
43, 44
KEPLER
18a, 43, 44, 64
KEPPLE
18b, 44
KERNICK
49
KERR
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 22, 23, 31, 33, 38, 40, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68
KERSTETTER
23
KERSTING
11, 28, 29
KESHLER
31
KESSELMAN
23
KESSLER
43
KETTERER
23
KEYHEYNAPALIN
2
KIASHUTA
KIASHUTA continued
2
KIBLER
31
KIDD
18abc, 32
KIDDER
18b
KIEFFER
4
KIEHN
23
KIER
19, 37
KIESTER
4, 8, 10, 17, 18bc, 50, 54, 56, 60, 61, 65
KIHN
48
KILCHENSTEIN
46
KILGORE
4, 7, 18b
KILLBUCK
2
KILLIKELLY
22
KILPATRICK
3
KILROY
46
KIMBERLY
65
KIMES
4
KING
4, 11, 14, 17, 18b, 21, 24, 25, 27, 34, 36, 44, 46, 47, 55, 63, 64
KING BEAVER
2
KINGSBURY
18b, 19, 32
KING SHINGAS
2
KINGSLEY
19, 28
KINKAID
4, 6, 9, 10, 43, 44
KINKEAD
18a
KINNE
36
KINNEAR
27, 28
KINNEHAN
64
KINNEY
17, 25
KINSELL
18a
KINSER
18bc
KINSEY
57
KINSON
18b
KINZER
21
KIRBY
6

KIRCH
48
KIRK
9, 18b, 21, 23, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 37, 39
KIRKER
4, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18ac, 25, 55
KIRKLAND
18c, 39
KIRKPATRICK
4, 9, 10, 18bc, 23, 32, 37, 38, 53, 54, 56, 61, 63
KIRSCHARTZ
46
KIRSCHLER
31
KIRSH
43
KISER
4, 43
KISKADDON
7, 9, 18bc, 38, 61, 69
KISLER
18c
KISSEL
36
KISSICK
18c, 61
KISSINGER
18b
KITZMILLER
36, 38
KLAUS
48
KLEINADAM
41
KLEINFELDER
29
KLEY
10
KLINE
5, 27, 28, 29, 44
KLINGENSMITH
20, 27, 46, 59
KLINGLER
5, 8, 19, 21, 22, 23, 54
KLOPFENSTINE
28
KLUS
41
KNAPP
18a, 27, 45
KNAUFF
19, 30, 31
KNAUS
41
KNAUTH
55
KNEISS
7, 9, 17, 18ab, 55
KNIGHT
61
KNITTEL
41
KNITTLE
18c
KNOCH
18c, 36, 51
KNOCK
35
KNOUSE
5
KNOWLTON
63
KNOX
4, 8, 9, 22, 26, 28, 29, 39, 68
KOBEL
41
KOCH
11, 28, 36, 44, 55, 59
KOCKER
59
KOEBEL
41
KOEGLER
39
KOENIG
27, 36, 43
KOLB
48
KOHLER
10
KOHLMEYER
15, 38, 67, 69
KOHLMYER
8
KOHNFELDER
36
KONKLE
19
KONRUMPF
35
KOON
38
KOONCE
18b, 34, 45
KOPE
34
KORD
18c
KORN
18a, 23, 65
KORNRUMPF
53
KRADEL
18a, 27, 28
KRAMER
9, 18a, 29, 30, 40
KRANTZ
44
KRANZ
59
KRAUSE
18a, 35, 36, 39, 43, 44, 57
KREBS
31, 41, 48
KRECHER
41
KREIDLER
22, 27
KREOR
40
KRESS
40
KREY
35
KRIBBS
KRIBBS continued
27
KRING
39
KRISE
39
KROHMER
43
KROPP
29
KRUG
19, 22
KRUMPE
37, 38, 39
KRUNES
41
KUCKQUETACKTON
2
KUHN
18abc, 23, 44, 49
KULP
28
KUNKLEMAN
27
KUNZ
36
KYLE
10, 63
KYPP
10

L.

LACHENMEYER
54, 55
LACKEY
18a, 33, 43
LACOCK
38, 52, 67
LADENSCHLAGER
28
LADERER
55, 57
LAFAYETTE
5, 6, 21
LAFFER
59
LAFFERTY
4, 42
LA FORCE
2
LAGASSER
18b
LAGHER
63
LAGS
18b
LAHNER
43
LAKE
18a, 43
LAMB
36, 39
LAMBERT
18bc, 27, 31, 41, 57
LAMBIE
18b
LAMBING
19, 43, 44
LAMPARTNER
10

LANDERS
43, 57
LANDIS
18b, 22, 24, 25, 28
LANDOE
22
LANDON
22
LANE
6, 9, 10, 14, 15, 21, 22, 23, 30
LANG
18c, 36, 57
LANGAN
42
LANGBEIN
18c
LANGENFELDER
41
LANHAM
29
LAPORTE
9
LAPPE
19
LARDEN
18a
LARDIN
18c, 20, 34, 37, 38, 39, 43, 46, 47
LARIMORE
48
LARKIN
23, 40, 43
LARRABEE
30
LARRIMORE
33
LASHER
11, 42, 43
LASZIGAR
36
LATSHAW
27, 28
LAUBE
19, 36
LAUCH
55
LAUDENSCHLEGER
39
LAUFER
6
LAUFFER
10
LAUGHLIN
19, 64
LAUX
18c, 40
LAVEAR
10
LAVERE
4, 67
LAVERTY
43, 63, 65
LAVERY
18ac, 23, 34
LAW
69
LAWALL
17, 18a, 21, 23, 39
LAWE
7
LAWHEAD
18c
LAWRENCE
31, 61, 65, 68
LAYCOCK
9, 33
LAYTON
9, 15, 60, 67
LEACH
17, 18a, 22, 58
LEAIRD
16
LEAKE
11, 22, 23, 25, 27
LEARY
18a
LEASON
3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 15, 65, 66, 67
LEASURE
17, 18a, 21, 38, 39
LEBERMAN
24, 45
LECKEY
18a, 21
LECKY
5, 46
LEDERER
35, 36
LEE
3, 6, 9, 10, 12, 18ac, 22, 25, 44, 62, 63, 64
LEECH
19, 41
LEFEVER
9, 17, 30
LEFEVRE
4, 9, 10, 21, 23, 33, 35, 36, 39
LEGGET
22
LEGGETT
22
LEHMAN
18b, 57
LEIBERT
22
LEIBOLD
52
LEIDECKER
19, 23
LEIGHNER
9, 43
LEINENBACH
48
LEISE
31
LEISEY
18c
LEITHOLD
39
LEMMON
5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 24
LENEHAN
36
LENFESTY
47
LENHART
18c
LENKIRK
18a
LENOX
43
LENSEY
6
LENSNER
18ac, 36, 39
LEON
21
LEONARD
18a, 19, 22
LEONBERGER
18b
LEOPOLD
12, 43
LEPLEY
18b, 53
LERCH
12
LERKEN
4
LERNER
18a
LESLIE
9, 17, 18ac, 33, 47, 67
LESTER
18a
LEUBBEN
55
LEVAN
22
LEVERE
6, 7
LEVESEY
6
LEVINE
46
LEVINGSTON
49
LEVIS
8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 25, 27
LEVISON
46
LEVY
49
LEWIS
14, 17, 18ab, 19, 23, 46, 47, 56
LEX
41
LIAS
18c
LICHLITER
22
LIDDELL
64
LIEBENDERFER
27
LIEBERMAN
28
LIEBLER
18c, 19, 23
LIEBOLD
21
LIEGHNER
15, 54
LIGGS

LIGGS continued
43
LIKEN
29
LIKENS
18c
LILLY
57
LIMBERG
18c
LIMBURG
22, 23, 24, 35, 54
LINCOLN
7, 9, 10, 12, 18a, 19
LINEBERGER
4
LINGEL
41
LINHART
4
LINK
32
LINN
4, 7, 9, 11, 17, 21, 22, 23, 33, 35, 36, 46, 47, 51, 65
LINNENBRINK
11
LINNENBRUCK
11
LINTON
18b
LINTZ
18a
LIPPERT
19
LIPPEY
17
LIPPOLD
36
LIST
4, 11, 18abc, 29, 33
LITINGER
15
LITSCH
41
LITTLE
4, 12, 17, 18c, 32, 43, 54
LITZINGER
43
LIVERMORE
18a
LIVINGSTON
11, 61
LIVINGSTONE
23
LLOYD
16, 17, 18c
LOCHEAD
12
LOCKE
18a, 22, 27, 63
LOCKHART
43
LOCKWOOD
18b
LOEBMAN
23
LOFFER
4
LOGAN
4, 6, 10, 11, 17, 18abc, 21, 29, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 43, 51, 61
LOGUE
4, 18a, 19, 40, 43, 64, 67
LOLLAR
6
LONG
17, 18abc, 28, 29, 30, 31, 39, 46, 48, 63
LONGBINE
5
LONGLEY
4
LONITZ
19
LONSDALE
31
LOOMIS
46
LORIMER
22, 49
LOUDON
17, 18ac, 51, 53
LOUIS
31
LOUIS XV
2
LOVE
17, 18abc, 36, 37, 38, 39, 45, 57
LOVELESS
47
LOW
23
LOWE
9, 15, 18abc
LOWERY
21, 23, 33, 36
LOWMAN
11, 18b
LOWREY
3, 12, 21, 22, 24
LOWRIE
1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 16, 21, 22, 23, 69
LOWRY
5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 15, 17, 18ab, 19, 21, 22, 23
LUCAS
9
LUCE
33, 34
LUDINGTON
18a
LUEBBEN
55
LUEBKERT
22
LUPHER
43, 45
LUSE
6, 29
LUSHER
43
LUSINGER
49
LUSK
LUSK continued
8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 27, 29, 34, 44
LUTHER
47
LUTTON
17, 61
LUTZ
18abc, 23, 27, 29, 41, 48, 55, 57
LUTZINGER
46
LYNCH
49
LYON
4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 29, 33, 46
LYTLE
15, 18b, 27, 28, 55

M.

MAAS
18a
MABB
45
MABOLD
64
MAC DOWELL
18c
MACKAY
23
MACKEREL
18c
MACKEY
5, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 54, 58, 61
MACKREL
18a
MACOMAL
2
MAC PHERSON
6
MAGEE
4, 17, 25, 26, 29, 30, 32, 57, 63
MAGERS
4
MAGERSTADT
18c
MAGINNESS
7, 16
MAGINNIS
3
MAGOFFIN
11
MAGUIRE
42
MAHAFFY
45
MAHAN
4, 19, 20, 33, 37
MAHARG
6, 25, 34
MAHLBERG
29
MAHNEKE
46
MAHOOD
18ac, 19, 66

MAHWA
60
MAIDEN
17
MAIER
55
MAIN
18c
MAISCHEIN
41
MAITLAND
67
MAJOR
18b
MALABY
18a
MALARKEY
18c
MALARKY
18a
MALCOLM
67
MALEY
41
MALONE
14, 18b
MALONEY
42
MALTBY
61
MANGEL
18b, 19
MANN
11, 51
MANNY
18bc, 21, 23
MANSELL
22
MAPES
12, 46
MARBURGER
9, 18ac, 26, 29, 32
MARCUS
58
MARDORF
5, 18b, 23
MARIA
48
MARION
64
MARKEL
19, 29, 39
MARKHAM
19, 21, 23
MARKS
7, 9, 11, 21, 22, 33, 43, 46, 49
MARKWELL
34, 49, 68
MARLIN
61
MARQUIS
11, 21
MARSH
19
MARSHALL
3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 41, 43, 44, 47, 48, 49, 51,
MARSHALL continued
53, 54, 57, 58, 65, 66, 68
MARTENS
36, 38
MARTERER
36
MARTIN
4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 38, 40, 41, 43, 48, 52, 54, 55, 58, 59, 61, 67, 68
MARTINCOURT
12, 54
MARTSOFF
18c
MARTSOLF
59
MASKER
18a
MASON
10
MASS
18c
MASSER
57
MASSETH
23
MASSON
43, 46
MATERS
32
MATES
9, 10
MATHAY
18b, 29
MATHESON
11, 37
MATHEW
16
MATTHEWS
4, 13, 18abc, 23, 25, 54, 55, 62, 63
MATTIER
18c
MATTISON
19, 47
MAUKS
18c
MAURHOFF
8, 9, 15, 18c, 23, 36, 38, 39
MAURICE
22
MAXLER
18a
MAXWELL
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 15, 17, 18bc, 22, 23, 24, 35, 39, 44, 45, 58, 60, 61, 63
MAY
1, 18c, 24
MAYBERRY
18b
MAYBURY
5, 7, 9, 22, 27, 60, 61
MAYER
MAYER continued
18b, 19, 43, 59
MAYERSHOFER
41
MAYES
18a, 66
MAZERIE
5
MC ABOY
5, 13, 14, 15, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 31
MC ADAM
61
MC ADOO
11
MC ALLEN
29
MC ALEER
18a
MC ALLISTER
4, 18bc, 29, 30, 34, 67
MC ANALLAN
18b
MC ANALLEN
18b, 50, 64
MC ANALLY
42
MC ANNALLY
4, 67
MC BRIDE
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 33, 38, 40, 42, 43, 46, 52, 58, 60, 64, 65, 67
MC BURNEY
57
MC CABE
2, 43
MC CAFFERTY
9, 10, 11, 15, 21, 23, 30, 37, 38, 40, 42, 44, 45, 68
MC CAHAN
4
MC CALL
4, 10, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 40, 46, 50, 51, 53
MC CALLAN
10
MC CALLEN
18c, 65
MC CALLUM
29, 33
MC CALMONT
10, 19, 33, 51
MC CAMANT
18c
MC CANDLESS
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 29, 32, 33, 34, 43, 47, 50, 52, 53, 64, 65, 68
MC CANN
8
MC CANNON
17
MC CANON
59
MC CARAHAN

MC CARAHAN continued
18c
MC CARNES
21, 23, 43, 61
MC CARRIER
18b, 51
MC CARTHY
10, 22, 23, 29, 43, 46
MC CARTNEY
3
MC CASKEY
5, 11, 38, 39, 43, 48, 54
MC CASKY
18a
MC CASLIN
4, 18a, 33, 43, 44, 46, 57
MC CAUGHTRY
46
MC CAULEY
18c, 64, 67
MC CAW
32
MC CHONEY
18b
MC CLAFFERTY
64
MC CLAIN
25
MC CLEAN
22, 47
MC CLEAR
22
MC CLEARY
4, 9, 18ab, 19, 21, 44, 45, 52
MC CLEERY
17
MC CLELLAN
9, 22
MC CLELLAND
9, 10, 12, 18ab, 19, 21, 31, 40, 49, 57, 66
MC CLESTER
32, 34
MC CLINTOCK
19, 22, 45, 61, 62, 63, 67
MC CLISTER
32
MC CLOSKEY
65
MC CLUNG
9, 18abc, 19, 42, 44, 45, 48, 50, 51
MC CLUPPER
46
MC CLURE
4, 6, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18a, 25, 27, 28, 45, 46, 53, 58
MC CLURG
21
MC CLYMONDS
7, 11, 13, 18abc, 19, 34, 47, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 66
MC COLLOUGH
2, 4, 7, 9, 13, 17, 18abc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23,
MC COLLOUGH continued
25, 43, 44, 47, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58
MC COLLUM
4, 18a, 30
MC COMB
18ac, 66
MC COMBS
9, 18a, 29, 65
MC COMMONS
58
MC CONAGHEY
17
MC CONNELL
4, 6, 11, 15, 17, 18ab, 19, 22, 25, 34, 49, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 63
MC COOK
18a
MC COOL
4
MC CORD
3, 17
MC CORKLE
7, 37, 44, 66
MC CORMICK
3, 18b, 19, 22, 29, 54, 58, 63
MC COSH
57
MC COSTER
41
MC COY
4, 9, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 45, 61, 62, 63, 65
MC CRACKEN
58
MC CREA
9, 21, 23, 40
MC CRUM
18b
MC CUE
4, 19, 40, 42
MC CUEN
64
MC CULLOCH
23
MC CULLOUGH
64, 67
MC CUNE
18a, 23, 29
MC CURDY
4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 17, 18ac, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 35, 41
MC CUTCHEON
61
MC DADE
4, 42
MC DEAVITT
59
MC DERMIT
7
MC DERMITT
10
MC DERMOTT
4, 7, 12, 17, 43, 44, 47, 64
MC DEVITT
5, 18bc, 40, 50
MC DONALD
4, 7, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 25, 30, 53, 57, 60, 61, 62
MC DONNELL
40
MC DOWELL
4, 17, 23, 45, 64
MC ELEER
19
MC ELFISH
4, 12, 21
MC ELHANEY
18ac, 54, 65
MC ELPHATRICK
18b
MC ELREE
62, 63, 67
MC ELROY
4, 11, 17, 18b, 42, 47
MC ELVAIN
9, 10, 18abc, 35
MC ELVAINE
22, 25, 49, 50, 51, 65
MC ELWAIN
14, 18ac, 27, 33, 37, 57, 61
MC ELWAINE
45
MC ELWEE
45, 48
MC ENRUE
40
MC EVOY
40
MC EWEN
6, 43
MC FADDEN
4, 17, 18bc, 35, 40, 42, 43, 62, 64
MC FALL
49
MC FANN
34, 45, 66
MC FARLAND
10, 19, 29, 45, 46
MC FARLIN
21
MC FARREN
7
MC FARRON
4
MC FERRIN
6
MC GAFFIC
28, 47, 60
MC GAFFEY
4
MC GAGHY
16
MC GAHEY
18c, 37
MC GARRAH
43
MC GARRY
18b, 37, 38
MC GARVEY
18bc, 19, 43, 49, 61, 64
MC GAUGHEY
18a

MC GEARY
18c, 56
MC GEE
4, 6, 18b, 19, 34, 40, 42, 52, 54
MC GEORGE
13, 32
MC GILL
9, 11, 14, 15, 17, 18a bc, 23, 47, 62, 63, 66
MC GINLEY
4, 17, 18ac, 40, 42, 43, 48
MC GINN
61
MC GINNIS
4, 18ab, 21, 23, 24, 25, 37, 38, 53, 67
MC GIRR
21, 42
MC GLAUGHLIN
7, 9, 12, 22, 49
MC GONEGAL
61
MC GONIGLE
38
MC GONNIGLE
61
MC GOWAN
4, 6, 16, 18ab, 21, 22, 53, 54, 56, 60
MC GRADY
19
MC GRANAHAN
51
MC GRATH
48, 57
MC GREGOR
29, 31, 37, 65
MC GREW
4, 52, 53, 54
MC GROIN
45
MC GUCKEN
35, 40
MC GUCKIN
18c
MC GUFFEY
18, 18c
MC GUFFIN
9, 10, 21
MC GUFFY
24
MC GUIRE
2, 32
MC GUIRK
18b
MC HENET
21
MC HENRY
11, 55
MC ILLYAR
13
MC ILVAIN
18c, 29
MC ILVAINE
24
MC ILWAIN
18b, 29
MC ILYAR
22
MC INTIRE
18b
MC INTYRE
18a, 27
MC INTOSH
29
MC JUNKIN
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18c, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 34, 48, 50, 51, 59, 60
MC KAHAM
58
MC KAIN
18ab, 21
MC KALLIP
31, 68
MC KAY
10, 49
MC KEAN
18b, 33, 38, 52, 67
MC KEANY
67
MC KEE
1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18bc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 43, 45, 56, 58, 60, 61, 63, 66, 67
MC KEEVER
18c, 42
MC KENDRY
25
MC KENZIE
47
MC KEOWN
19, 22
MC KIBBIN
18c
MC KINLEY
9, 66, 67
MC KINNEY
4, 9, 14, 16, 17, 18a, 19, 22, 24, 25, 29, 30, 32, 43, 48, 51, 53
MC KIM
4, 27
MC KIMMEY
18a, 69
MC KIMMONS
4
MC KISSICK
10, 18ab, 48, 52
MC KISSON
43, 44, 62
MC KLOEENE
58
MC KNIGHT
18ab, 43, 56, 60, 61
MC LAFFERTY
4, 40, 42
MC LAIN
18b
MC LAUGHLIN
4, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 47, 60, 64
MC LEAN
9, 31
MC LEARY
7, 44
MC LELLAND
5, 7
MC LEOD
4, 17, 25, 30
MC LEOUD
16
MC LOUD
16
MC LUCKER
18c
MC LURE
5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 21, 33, 38, 52, 54, 59, 67
MC MACKIN
39
MC MAHAN
4, 18bc
MC MAHON
5, 10, 15, 31, 42, 67, 68, 69
MC MARLIN
9, 18c, 19, 23, 32
MC MICHAEL
4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 18a bc, 22, 23, 43, 50, 51, 54, 67
MC MILLAN
11, 18bc, 31, 40, 62, 63
MC MILLEN
7, 9, 18a, 19, 29, 33, 45, 47
MC MILLIAN
18c
MC MURDY
18b
MC MURRAY
4, 17
MC MURRY
15, 18ac, 20, 60, 64, 65
MC MURTRY
12, 48
MC NAIR
3, 4, 7, 10, 12, 14, 18ab, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 30, 35, 45, 61
MC NALL
51
MC NALLY
13, 43, 64
MC NAMEE
64
MC NAUGHTON
18a, 51
MC NEAL
18ac, 29, 30, 32, 33, 37, 67
MC NEES
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 18abc, 31, 33, 35, 58, 59, 68
MC NEIL
33
MC NELL
46
MC NICKLE
4
MC NULTY

MC NULTY continued
60, 61
MC OMBER
21
MC PHERRIN
5, 9, 10, 21, 22, 25, 37, 38, 48, 49, 50, 51
MC PHERSON
19, 21
MC QUADE
45
MC QUAIDE
47
MC QUILLEN
63
MC QUISTION
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 61, 65, 69
MC QUOIL
29
MC SHANE
23, 40
MC SORLY
18b
MC SPARRIN
4, 63
MC SWEENEY
10, 22, 23, 42
MC TAGGART
13
MC WALTERS
23
MC WATTY
61
MC WILLIAMS
8, 52
MC WRIGHT
4
MEAD
17, 19, 47, 63
MEADE
36
MEALS
4, 6, 7, 10, 15, 18a, 19, 51, 66, 67, 69
MEANOR
18a
MEANS
4, 17, 18a, 32, 53
MECHLING
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 33, 35, 38, 47, 50, 51, 52, 66, 67
MEDLEY
31
MEEDER
32
MEEHAN
23, 42
MEEKER
4, 17, 18b, 29, 32
MEHARD
8, 10, 23, 28, 29
MEISER
22
MEISTER
36
MELHORN
MELHORN continued
36, 38
MELLINGER
15, 18c
MELLON
28
MELSHEIMER
22
MELVIN
8, 56
MENARD
61, 65
MENDENHALL
49, 66
MERCER
45
MEREDITH
23
MERKEL
19, 36, 69
MERRITT
47, 66
MERSHON
11, 36, 66
MESSICH
18a
MESSICK
39
MESSIMER
47
METZ
18b, 32, 41, 55
MEYER
28, 57
MEYERS
18ab, 21, 34
MEYLERT
14, 19, 23, 61
MICHAEL
18a, 19, 45
MICHAELS
58
MICHEL
35, 36
MICKLEY
18c, 27, 29
MIDGELY
16
MIESER
18c
MIFFLIN
9, 18c, 21, 23, 60, 61, 66
MILES
10, 18a, 21, 32, 34, 46
MILFORD
5, 18abc, 19, 51, 64, 67, 69
MILHISON
18b
MILLEMAN
27, 28, 57
MILLER
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 60, 61, 65, 66,
MILLER continued
67, 69
MILLICHAMP
44, 46
MILLIGAN
4, 18b, 40
MILLIKEN
57
MILLINGER
5, 18abc, 22, 45, 48
MILLISON
66
MILLS
10, 19, 29
MINNEMYER
18a
MINNIS
4, 30
MINSER
18c
MINTEER
18b
MINTON
31
MINTZEL
39
MITCHELL
5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 28, 30, 41, 54, 58, 64
MITIS
19
MIZNER
66
MOBLEY
14, 43
MOCHEL
18a, 39
MOCK
18b, 43, 50
MOECKENHAUT
55
MOESER
27
MOESTD
43
MOFFATT
43
MOFFIT
51
MOFFITT
43
MOHAWK
2, 10, 22, 62
MOLANPHY
41
MONKS
9, 10, 33, 37
MONNIE
18ac, 43, 48, 49
MONROE
18ab, 19, 49
MONTAG
35
MONTAGUE
35
MONTCALM
19
MONTGOMERY
6, 18c, 22, 36, 37, 38,

MONTGOMERY continued
53, 66, 68
MONTIETH
6
MONTOOTH
4, 10, 16, 17, 52, 53, 59
MOODY
18b
MOON
18b, 25, 63
MOORE
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 37, 40, 43, 44, 45, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68
MOOREHOUSE
12
MOORHEAD
4, 7, 14, 15, 39, 44, 47, 61, 64
MOORLOCK
43
MORALL
23
MORAN
23
MOREHEAD
4, 11, 19, 34
MORELAND
6, 18a, 60
MORGAN
17, 18ac, 19, 29, 68, 69
MORITZ
55
MORRIS
3, 4, 10, 14, 18b, 21, 25, 26, 33, 37, 43, 54, 64, 66
MORRISON
6, 9, 12, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 23, 25, 33, 46, 49, 55, 57, 60, 61, 63
MORROW
4, 9, 17, 18abc, 22, 24, 29, 40, 54, 59, 61, 63
MORSE
19, 22, 38, 47
MORTIMER
4, 44, 66
MORTLAND
18bc, 64
MORTON
6, 18a, 21, 38
MOSER
4, 5, 9, 10, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 41, 48, 66
MOSHER
36
MOTHERAL
17
MOUNTAIN
10
MOWRY
18c, 33, 37
MOYER
7, 9, 14, 15, 18bc, 22, 25, 28, 55
MUCHLER
18a
MUCKEL
18a
MUDER
18a, 25, 35, 36, 38, 39
MUELLER
55
MUHLEISEN
4, 25
MUHLIESON
55
MULARKEY
18b, 35
MULLEN
3
MULLER
7, 14, 15, 18c, 19, 26, 27, 41, 48
MULLIGAN
31
MUNKARNS
69
MUNSON
61, 65
MUNSTER
48
MUNTZ
14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 51, 54, 55, 61
MURDOCK
4
MURRAY
4, 17, 18ac, 21, 29, 31, 32, 42, 46, 57, 58
MURRIN
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 17, 18c, 23, 42, 62, 67
MURPHY
4, 6, 7, 18ab, 19, 21, 43, 58, 61
MURTLAND
13, 17, 18a, 39, 43, 47, 51, 59
MUSHRUSH
18abc
MUSSELMAN
28, 57
MUSSER
21
MUSTARD
29
MYERS
5, 10, 13, 14, 15, 18abc, 19, 21, 29, 42, 43, 55, 56, 57, 59, 65
MYLER
49

N.

NANSTIEHL
46
NASH
4, 41, 43, 53
NATT
18b
NAVIGO
11
NEAL
4, 9, 14, 18c, 58, 60, 61
NEALE
10
NEATE
4
NEBEL
23, 41
NEELEY
18ab, 19
NEELIS
4
NEELY
18ac, 55
NEESON
64
NEFF
18bc, 22, 48
NEGLEY
1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 34, 45, 53, 65
NEHER
36
NEIL
59
NEIMANN
41
NELLIS
10
NELSON
5, 18abc, 61
NEPTUNE
18c
NESBIT
4, 22, 25
NESBITT
19, 31, 46
NESS
46
NETHERCOAT
4
NEU
48
NEUBER
41, 47
NEUBERT
36
NEVILLS
15, 47
NEVIN
19
NEWBERRY
57
NEWCOMB
11
NEWELL
4, 18bc
NEWMAN
46
NEWTON
19, 57
NEYGANT
23
NEYMAN
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 41, 43, 48, 49, 50, 60, 61, 63

NIBLOCK
7, 9, 12, 15, 18bc, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 37
NICHOLAS
7, 18b, 22
NICHOLDSON
8
NICHOLL
5
NICHOLLS
16, 22, 23, 27
NICHOLS
21
NICHOLSON
3, 6, 25, 45
NICKERSON
4
NICKLAS
25, 27, 29, 34
NICKLASS
25
NIECE
19, 28
NIGGEL
23
NIPER
57
NISBIT
25
NIXON
5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 18ac, 21, 26, 34
NOEL
18a
NOLAN
18b, 23, 39, 40, 43, 64
NOLF
18c
NOLZHEIM
25
NORRIS
18abc, 37, 54
NORTHRUP
23
NORTON
33, 43, 46
NOSS
28
NOW
19
NUGENT
40
NULPH
18a
NUSSELL
6
NUTT
29
NYE
57, 65

O.

OAKLEY
9
OBER
41
O'BRIEN
3, 18bc, 19, 23, 42, 43, 45, 49
O'CALLAHAN
O'CALLAHAN continued
42
O'CONNOR
18b, 22, 29, 40, 42, 43
O'CULL
4, 42
O'DONNELL
4, 5, 8, 9, 15, 17, 18c, 19, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 67
OELTON
53, 58
OERTEL
35, 41
OERTELL
19
OESTERLING
18c, 22, 23, 27, 53
OETTINGER
43
O'FARRELL
64
O'FARREN
4, 42, 44
OGDEN
18a, 23, 33, 35, 37
OGILVIE
6
OGLE
17
O'GRADY
46
O'HARA
4, 6, 9, 17, 33, 38, 42, 47, 52, 62, 67
OHL
36
OKESON
57
OLDFIELD
44
OLIVER
10, 18b, 43, 45, 56, 57, 64, 66
OLLER
22
O'MALLEY
41
O'NEIL
22, 23, 35, 43
O'NEILL
40, 42
O'NIEL
3
O'NUTH
21
ORBISON
64
O'RIELLY
12
ORNER
4
ORR
9, 16, 17, 18abc, 22, 32, 42, 62, 63, 68
OSBORN
5, 19, 22, 23
OSBORNE
9, 17, 23, 33
OSBURNE
18c
O'SHEA
22
OSMER
60
OSTRANDER
46
OSWALD
48
OTT
19, 41
OTTING
25, 28, 29
OTTO
18ab, 19, 27, 28, 46
OVERALL
1
OVERDOFF
18a
OVERHEIM
10, 36
OVERLY
19
OVERMAN
49
OWEN
25, 28
OWENS
11, 32, 34, 62, 65
OZENBAUGH
4

P.

PACKER
9
PAGE
47
PAINE
46
PAINTER
10, 14, 18b, 38, 43, 46, 47, 50, 51
PALMER
9, 11, 18a, 27, 28, 43
PAMPSON
15
PANCRAZ
48
PAPE
23
PARCHMENT
3
PARK
18abc, 32, 33, 67
PARKER
4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 18ab, 19, 21, 45, 47, 60, 62, 63, 66, 67, 68, 69
PARKINSON
43
PARKS
4, 18ac, 31, 33, 66, 69
PARSHALL
61
PARSONS
19, 46
PASSAVANT
26, 27
PATRICK
34

PATTERSON
4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18ab, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 43, 50, 51, 57, 58, 60, 61
PATTISON
61
PATTON
4, 18ac, 34, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 61, 63, 66
PATTY
61
PAULHEMAS
9
PAYNE
57
PEALE
6
PEARCE
14, 15, 17, 18ac, 22, 25, 27, 28, 31, 66
PEARSON
9, 11, 60, 61, 65
PEATE
6
PECK
43
PEEL
62
PEFFER
10, 27, 28, 29, 55
PEIFFER
19
PEIRCE
43
PEIRSOL
10, 13, 19, 21
PENCE
18a
PENDER
17
PENN
3, 34
PENNELL
47
PEOPLES
18c, 64
PERCIVAL
21
PERKINS
18b, 23
PERRINE
21
PERRY
6, 17, 30, 51, 59, 66, 67
PESQUETUM
2
PESTALOZZIE
13
PETERS
4, 11, 18b, 23, 32, 43, 47, 61, 65, 69
PETERSON
4, 5, 17, 19, 22, 24
PETSINGER
38
PETTIGREW
18a, 47, 68
PETTIT
18a
PEW
4, 63
PFABE
18b, 36
PFAFF
43
PFEFFER
27
PFEIFFER
36
PFLUEGER
22
PFLUG
27
PHELAN
48
PHELPS
9
PHENINGER
29
PHERSON
18a
PHILIPS
47
PHILLIPS
1, 4, 9, 14, 16, 18ac, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 33, 34, 47, 48, 55, 56, 58, 59
PHINNEY
16
PHIPPS
8, 23, 34, 35, 54
PIERCE
4, 15, 17, 18c, 24, 39, 69
PILE
16
PILES
17
PILGRIM
18a, 35
PILLOW
7, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18abc, 21, 23, 25, 54
PINEO
13
PINKERTON
27, 32
PIPER
43, 54
PISOR
4, 6, 11, 18ab, 43, 49, 53, 58, 66
PISQUETUMEN
2
PISTORIUS
41, 48
PITCAIRN
44
PITSINGER
18b
PITZINGER
18b
PLANET
47
PLANTS
4, 18c, 37
PLATT
PLATT continued
18c
PLOHR
23
PLUMMER
4, 21, 22, 25, 32, 33, 43
POHL
43
POHLEMUS
6
POLHEMUS
19
POLLARD
40, 47, 66
POLLOCK
4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 15, 18c, 21, 25, 31, 45, 52, 53, 55, 63, 67, 69
POLSTER
36
POMPEY
5
PONTIAC
2
PONTIUS
17, 19, 42, 43, 44
POORMAN
29
POPAUCE
2
POPE
4
PORCH
63
PORTER
4, 15, 17, 18abc, 22, 50, 51, 57, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68
PORTERFIELD
4, 17, 46, 69
PORTLOCH
19
PORTMAN
18bc
POST
2
POTTER
3, 4, 27, 29, 31
POTTS
4, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 33, 61, 65
POULSON
7
POWDERLY
46
POWELL
4, 5, 18ab, 29, 33, 38
POWER
3, 9, 17
POWERS
6, 14, 18b, 21, 62
PREAMER
21
PREBBLE
27
PREGENZER
57
PRENTICE
19, 67

PRESSLY
54
PRESTON
19, 49
PRICE
11, 18b, 21, 34, 46
PRIMER
4
PRINDLE
18c
PRING
43
PRINGLE
23, 34, 57
PRIOR
18ab
PRITTS
58
PROSSER
13, 18ab, 23, 61
PROUDFIT
22
PROVERT
48
PRUGH
12, 22
PRYOR
4, 8, 50, 51
PUFF
18c, 33
PUGH
6, 18bc, 35, 37
PURCELL
46
PURUCKER
43
PURVIANCE
3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30, 31, 34, 51, 65
PURVIS
5, 12, 15, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 30
PYLE
4, 11, 25

Q.

QUAY
18b, 19
QUEEN
6
QUIGG
37
QUIGLEY
46, 49
QUILLEN
18b, 63
QUILTER
42, 43
QUINN
4, 6, 37, 40, 42, 46

R.

RAABE
18a, 36
RABBIT
43
RADCLIFFE
RADCLIFFE continued
29
RADEMACHER
35
RADER
25, 30
RAFFERTY
22, 42
RAHAUSER
28
RAHISER
29
RALSTON
6, 7, 10, 11, 17, 18abc, 19, 24, 27, 39, 45, 47, 49, 53, 54, 56, 57, 59, 60
RAMSEY
4, 5, 9, 10, 14, 18abc, 25, 26, 29, 31, 33, 49, 55, 57, 61, 67
RANDLES
17
RANDOLPH
11, 18abc, 27, 28, 29, 47, 54
RANGE
18b
RANKER
4
RANKIN
10, 17, 18bc, 34, 43, 45, 46, 47, 59, 58, 61
RANSALL
18c
RANSOM
29, 39
RANSON
14, 17
RAPE
18c
RAPHAEL
41
RAPP
5, 10, 11, 26, 27, 28
RARDEN
4
RASELY
18b, 24, 25
RASSMAN
18c
RATHBUN
4, 30, 34
RATHBURN
52, 66
RATTIGAN
12, 43
RAUCH
66
RAUSEL
17
RAVER
46
RAWLE
65
RAY
4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 18abc, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30, 41, 44, 45, 48, 53, 58, 64, 65, 66
RAYER
RAYER continued
46
REA
18ab, 21, 29, 31, 32, 34
READ
44, 64, 67
READER
31
REAGART
40
REBSTOCK
10, 13, 17, 23, 51
RECHER
40
RECKARD
18a
REDD
18a, 42, 43
REDDICK
4, 34
REDFOX
18b
REDIC
9, 10, 18ac, 23
REDICK
4, 5, 7, 17, 18abc, 19, 22, 23, 36, 38, 49, 66, 68, 69
REDINGER
18c
RED JACKET
3, 19
REDMOND
28
REDOUT
18a
REDPATH
55
REEB
18b, 29
REED
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 29, 37, 43, 48, 55, 57, 60, 61, 62, 63
REEP
18b, 42, 43, 44, 45
REESE
16, 18b, 33, 34, 43, 66, 69
REESER
66
REETH
18c, 36, 38
REEVES
43
REGAN
18a
REGELSWORTH
66
REGHT
18b
REHBUN
23
REIBER
8, 9, 10, 12, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 41, 42, 43
REIBOLD

REIBOLD continued
19, 25
REICHERT
18b, 21, 28, 58
REICHMAN
36
REID
48
REIGER
5
REIHING
21, 23
REILLY
10
REINHOLD
18c, 36
REINSEL
11
REISS
27
REITH
36
REMEY
22
RENFREW
18a, 30, 34
RENICK
59
RENISON
9, 12, 18a
RENISTON
7
RENNICK
65
RENNISON
18a, 33
RENNO
9, 18a, 23
RENO
43, 61
RENOUGH
37
REPARTI
2
RERL
4
RETTIG
41
REUGER
18a
REYBORN
18b
REYMAN
41
REYNOLDS
4, 9, 18b, 61, 67
REX
4
RHEINHARD
41
RHEINLANDER
21
RHEINHART
47
RHINEHART
35
RHODES
11, 16, 18ab, 39, 40, 47, 51, 61, 65, 66, 67
RHONEY
18b
RIBB
18a
RICE
16, 18a, 28, 46, 55
RICH
22, 36
RICHARD
18c, 30, 38
RICHARDS
44
RICHARDSON
4, 7, 11, 18a, 21, 22, 23, 25, 31, 32, 54
RICHEAL
18b
RICHEL
18b
RICHEY
18a, 21, 23, 33
RICHIE
36
RICHMOND
29, 30
RICHTER
36
RICKENBRODE
51
RICKETTS
61
RICKITTS
56
RIDDELL
22
RIDDLE
4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 23, 28, 37, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 53, 54, 57, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67
RIDER
5, 18c, 31, 49, 52
RIEDEL
36
RIELLY
9, 40
RIESENMAN
19, 21
RIFFER
55
RIFLEY
18bc
RIGBY
18a
RIGDON
18b
RIGGLES
18a
RIGHTER
28
RIGGS
29, 44, 63, 64
RIGNEY
47
RILEY
18, 18a, 30
RIMBEY
4, 5, 21
RINK
18a
RIOTT
1, 19, 41
RIPLEY
49
RIPPER
19, 29
RIPPEY
4, 5, 6, 17, 21, 33, 37
RISCH
41
RISHABERGER
24
RISHER
31
RISNER
42
RITCHEY
21
RITTER
19, 48
RITTS
23
RITZERT
19, 48
RIVERS
18a, 40
ROACH
18a
ROBB
3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 18abc, 23, 24, 25, 48, 49, 53, 54, 61
ROBBINS
21, 30, 32
ROBERT
13
ROBERTS
4, 9, 10, 18b, 19, 34, 47, 49, 57, 61, 63
ROBERTSON
4, 17, 18a, 44, 46, 51, 67
ROBINSON
3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 29, 31, 34, 35, 39, 54, 58, 59, 61, 68, 69
ROBISON
7, 21, 29, 33, 38, 52, 67
ROCHAMBEAU
6
ROCK
35
ROCKENSTEIN
11, 18c, 21, 23
RODEBAUGH
4
RODENBACK
28
RODGERS
6, 17, 18ac, 22, 43, 47, 48
ROEBLING
36
ROENICK
18c
ROESSING
15, 18b, 19, 21, 22, 23, 34
ROETTIG
36

ROGAN
18b
ROGERS
4, 6, 9, 18a, 42, 48
ROHM
41
ROHNER
18c, 29, 31
ROHRER
18c
ROLF
43
ROLL
29, 31
ROLLER
39
ROLLIN
17
ROLLINS
10
RONEY
18a, 38, 39
ROOF
43
ROOKE
4
ROOT
17, 19, 46
ROSE
14, 18a, 21, 25, 52, 53, 60, 61, 63, 65
ROSEBORO
32
ROSEBURG
51
ROSENBAUGH
18b
ROSENBERGER
41, 48
ROSENBERRY
4, 18a, 67, 69
ROSENBERY
18a
ROSENTHAL
18c
ROSINGSTELL
18b
ROSS
7, 16, 17, 18ab, 21, 39, 47
ROTH
10, 18ab, 19, 22, 28, 54, 57, 59
ROTHACKER
22
ROTHMIRE
18a
ROWAN
31, 33
ROWE
9, 18ac, 22, 48
ROWELL
12
ROWLAND
4
ROWLEY
18a, 44, 46
ROYER
23
ROYLE
66
ROXBURY
54
RUBE
18c
RUBY
18ab, 27, 55, 57
RUCH
18a, 46, 47
RUDEBAUGH
52
RUDERT
36
RUDOLPH
4, 17, 18b, 24, 36
RUDYARD
18c
RUEDIGER
36
RUFF
18c, 39
RUMBAUGH
18ab, 29, 43
RUMBERGER
11, 60, 68
RUMMEL
39
RUMMELFANGER
22
RUNDLE
6
RUNGE
36
RUNYAN
18a
RUSSEL
58
RUSSELL
4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 41, 43, 45, 46, 48, 59, 50, 52, 62, 65, 66
RUST
4
RUTAN
61
RUTHERFORD
45, 46, 47
RUTTER
18ab, 58
RYAN
47, 49
RYDER
46
RYERSON
21, 23
RYLE
57

S.

SABLINE
43, 48
SACHEN
46
SACHS
36, 39
SACKETT
23
SADDLER
18c
SAGASSER
SAGASSER continued
18a
SAGER
61
SAGERSON
4
ST. CLAIR
4, 6, 8, 9, 17, 18a, 21, 52
ST. PIERRE
2
SALISBURY
47
SALMON
68
SALTZMAN
4, 53
SAMES
36
SAMPLE
11, 18c, 27, 28, 31, 65
SAMPSON
18c
SAMUEL
46
SANBORN
62
SANDER
41, 48
SANDERSON
4, 18b, 19, 25, 42, 43, 44, 51, 68
SANDFORD
4, 25
SANDOE
24, 28, 43, 45
SANKEY
14, 18b, 27
SARSE
18a
SARVER
6, 7, 14, 18a, 22, 24, 27, 28, 39, 43
SATTERFELD
43
SATTERFIELD
19, 43, 44, 46, 61, 63
SAULSBURY
45
SAUNDERS
27
SAUPE
36
SAVILLE
18b
SAWYER
4
SAY
4, 5, 15, 18a, 19, 68
SCANDRETT
61
SCANLAN
42
SCHAFER
39
SCHAFFER
21
SCHAFFNER
8, 18ac, 21, 23, 24
SCHARBACH
43

SCHAUP
43
SCHEEL
25, 27, 29, 55
SCHEELEY
36
SCHEELY
28
SCHEFENOCKER
18b
SCHEHL
41
SCHEIDEMANTLE
18c, 19, 27, 34, 55, 57
SCHEIRING
10
SCHELL
69
SCHENCK
5, 8, 21, 22, 23
SCHENDLEDECKER
17
SCHERER
48
SCHICK
46
SCHIEVER
19
SCHILLING
7, 30, 55
SCHILLINGS
30
SCHINDLER
18ab
SCHLEGLE
24
SCHLEPPY
18a, 52
SCHLOESSER
36
SCHMALTZBAUER
41
SCHMERTZ
23, 36
SCHMICK
19
SCHMIDT
11, 18a, 27, 39, 41, 43, 48
SCHMITT
18a
SCHNEE
22, 55
SCHNEIDEMAN
39
SCHNEIDER
6, 41
SCHOBERT
17
SCHOENE
28
SCHOENER
55
SCHOFIELD
46
SCHOLAR
4, 26, 55
SCHOLL
48
SCHOLTS
18b
SCHOLTZ
15
SCHONTZ
26, 28
SCHOOK
36
SCHOONMAKER
18b, 22
SCHRADER
18c
SCHREIBER
18c, 43
SCHRENIER
19
SCHRODER
18b
SCHROEBEL
43
SCHROTH
18a, 36
SCHRUMP
39
SCHUERMAN
41
SCHUG
41
SCHUH
41
SCHULER
41
SCHULTES
48
SCHULTZ
22, 43
SCHUSTER
43
SCHWAGMEYER
41
SCHWALL
61
SCHWANKOVSKY
27, 29
SCHWARTZ
26, 28
SCHWEBEL
41
SCHWEIDERING
18bc
SCHWEIGER
43
SCHWEITERING
35, 36, 38
SCHWEITZERBARTH
22, 27, 35, 38, 44, 55
SCHWIEGER
43
SCHWILLE
18c
SCHWING
18a
SCHWOEN
55
SCOTT
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 31, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 48, 52, 54, 55, 57, 58, 66, 67
SCUDDER
46
SCULL
6, 12
SEACHRIST
55
SEALI
6
SEAMAN
18bc, 27, 28, 34, 35
SEARING
58
SEATON
9, 15, 18abc, 27, 58, 62, 63, 64, 66
SEDWICK
10, 17, 18bc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 38, 68, 69
SEFTON
4, 18ac, 33, 37
SEIBERT
23, 35, 41, 43
SEIDEL
11, 26
SEIDERLY
49
SEIDLE
63
SEIPEL
36
SEITZ
18b
SELL
39
SEMPLE
10, 17, 18b, 19, 31
SERFLING
36
SESTON
18c
SETH
61, 65
SEYMOUR
29, 34, 43
SHADE
45
SHAFER
18ab, 59
SHAFFER
15, 18ab, 25, 27, 28, 31, 36, 53, 55, 61, 63
SHAKELEY
18a, 43, 44, 45, 68
SHAKELY
4, 18abc
SHALATREE
10
SHALER
9, 10, 39
SHAMBERG
49
SHANER
18c, 22, 52
SHANK
18a
SHANNON
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 18abc, 25, 31, 32, 43, 51, 53, 54, 65, 66
SHANOR
4, 5, 7, 8, 18bc, 23, 27, 28, 36, 38, 45, 54, 55, 56, 57

SHAOL
10
SHARP
5, 18a, 23, 57
SHARRAR
48
SHAW
9, 14, 16, 18bc, 34, 52, 56, 59, 63
SHAY
18a, 47
SHEAFFER
4
SHEAKLEY
19
SHEARER
18a, 25, 45, 54
SHEEHAN
18a
SHEELEY
36
SHEFFER
38, 54
SHEFFIELD
43, 46
SHEIDEMANTLE
66
SHELL
18a
SHELLY
18a
SHEPARD
19, 23, 38
SHEPPARD
18a, 68
SHERAR
18b, 31
SHERBER
39
SHERIDAN
12, 17, 21, 22, 40
SHERMAN
12, 18c, 23, 47
SHERRAN
23
SHERRARD
45
SHERWIN
47
SHETLER
43
SHEVAR
17
SHEVER
4
SHIELDS
4, 5, 6, 17, 18a, 20, 23, 35, 62, 67
SHIEVER
23, 25
SHIMP
32
SHINOR
18b
SHIRA
7, 9, 17, 18abc, 19, 46, 66, 68
SHIRLEY
17, 18ab, 46
SHIVA
19
SHLEPPY
6
SHOCKNEY
4
SHOEMAKER
11, 17, 43, 45
SHOENE
18b
SHOOK
32
SHORT
25
SHORTS
4, 10, 17, 18ab, 19, 25, 34
SHOUP
18c, 29, 48
SHOWALTER
9, 11, 15, 16, 19, 40, 43
SHRADER
35
SHRECKENGOST
46
SHREVE
19, 43
SHRINER
9
SHROYER
50, 61
SHRUM
40
SHRYOCK
4, 7, 9, 18abc, 23, 49, 66, 68
SHUFFLIN
21, 43
SHUGART
10, 18b
SHULER
18c
SHULL
18abc, 51, 63
SHULLER
18b
SHULTE
65
SHULTZ
18a, 39
SHUMAN
25
SHUNK
10, 12
SHUSTER
18a
SHUTT
27
SIBBALS
49
SIBBLES
30
SIBLEY
43
SIEDEL
28
SIEG
27
SIEGEL
43
SIGFRIED
56
SILK
18a
SILL
18a
SILVERHEELS
10
SILVERS
11, 18a
SILVEZ
4
SILVIS
18c
SILVIUS
54
SIMCOE
6
SIMCOX
18b, 19, 34
SIMMERS
2, 38
SIMMONS
61
SIMPSON
4, 7, 9, 19, 23, 31, 37, 43, 47, 67, 68
SINCLAIR
58
SINGER
18a, 23, 43, 49, 51, 52, 66
SINGERLY
19
SINK
43
SINOTT
18a
SIPE
18a, 40, 68
SIPPEL
36
SIPPOY
17
SIRWELL
18a, 21
SISNEY
64
SITLER
15
SKEER
6, 7, 9, 21, 24, 35
SKELLEN
5
SKILLEN
4
SKYLES
18b
SLATER
8, 9, 13, 18a, 30, 34
SLATOR
5, 7, 17, 18c, 40, 42, 48
SLATTERY
43, 47
SLEIF
18c
SLEMMONS
60
SLEPPY
18bc, 24, 27, 28
SLICK
40

SLIKER
10, 24
SLOAN
4, 5, 10, 11, 18abc, 32, 43, 52, 66, 67
SLOSS
57
SMALL
12, 43, 46
SMALLEY
23, 37
SMART
65
SMATHERS
29
SMEAD
23
SMETHERS
4
SMILEY
18a
SMITH
1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 49, 51, 52, 53, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69
SMITHSON
18a
SMUTZ
18c
SMYERS
36
SMYTH
18c
SNERR
48
SNITZEL
26
SNITZELL
27
SNODGRASS
18bc, 21, 43, 67
SNOW
5, 18abc, 23, 30, 34, 44, 45
SNYDER
4, 5, 9, 10, 13, 17, 18bc, 21, 22, 27, 31, 33, 35, 37, 38, 50, 52, 56, 58, 59, 60, 61, 63, 64, 67, 69
SOFIRE
6
SOMERVILLE
61, 68
SOMMER
27, 36
SONNE
55
SONWRECKER
46
SOURWINE
18b
SOUTHWORTH
18b
SOWASH
18b, 60, 61
SPANG
14, 18a
SPARR
5, 48
SPEAR
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18ab, 22, 25, 32, 39, 53, 54, 57
SPEARMAN
65
SPEARS
29, 66
SPECK
38
SPECKERT
41
SPELLMAN
18c
SPENCE
18abc, 29, 46
SPENCER
6, 7, 9, 18bc, 21, 29
SPIRES
39
SPITHALER
19, 25, 29
SPOHN
41
SPRATTLEY
18c
SPRECHER
48
SPRINGER
18c
SPRINGSTEAD
12
SPROUL
7, 9, 18c, 21, 22, 51, 64, 65
SQUIRE
47
SQUIRES
17, 46
STAAF
25, 29, 59
STACK
18b
STAFF
18bc
STAGE
19, 33, 50, 59, 65
STAHL
43
STAKE
3
STALEY
38
STALKER
67
STAMBAUGH
23
STAMM
8, 21, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30
STAND
46
STANFAT
38
STANLEY
18a, 35, 62
STANOOT
17
STANTON
10
STAPLES
18b, 31, 32
STARK
54
STARKE
36
STARKS
10, 22, 33, 44, 46, 49, 66
STAUFFER
10, 12, 13, 15, 22, 28, 49, 51, 52, 55
STEADMAN
43, 49
STEAVER
28
STECK
43, 55
STEEL
4, 18a, 49
STEELE
18c, 20, 29, 34, 38, 50
STEEN
4, 6, 16, 18a, 29, 63
STEGHER
48
STEHLE
5, 15, 21, 23
STEICHNER
19
STEIN
11, 19, 21, 22, 23, 48
STEINHAUSER
35
STEINMANN
22
STEINMETZ
55
STEINTORF
4
STEP
18a
STEPHENS
64
STEPHENSON
4, 7, 9, 10, 15, 18c, 19, 23, 24, 25, 29, 41, 48, 53, 57, 59, 61
STEPP
18b, 36, 37, 38
STERLING
18a, 50
STERRETT
7, 11, 21, 23, 29, 32, 34, 50, 55, 56
STETSON
45, 47
STEUBEN
6
STEUBGEN
36
STEVENS
22
STEVENSON
4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 17,

STEVENSON continued
18abc, 21, 22, 23, 25, 46, 52, 53, 54, 61, 65
STEVER
66
STEWARD
66
STEWART
2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 37, 39, 42, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 52, 55, 56, 57, 60, 65, 66, 67, 68
STICKEL
53, 58, 61
STICKLE
18a
STIFFY
30, 39
STILES
43
STILLWAGON
58, 60, 61, 65
STIMMEL
35, 36
STINCHCOMB
4, 37
STINETORF
4, 6, 17, 18b, 56, 58
STIVER
18c, 28, 29
STIVERT
65
STOCKTON
22
STOKELEY
18a
STOKEY
26, 27, 29
STONE
9, 17, 43, 46, 47
STONER
18bc, 46, 66
STOOLFIER
4
STOOLFIRE
6, 9, 12, 31, 32
STOOPS
5, 9, 18ac, 53, 64, 65, 66
STORER
22
STOREY
4, 9, 10, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 44, 45, 47, 68
STORY
12, 23
STOUGHTON
4, 6, 18a, 19, 22, 23, 29, 43, 53, 54, 58, 59, 66
STOUP
32
STOUT
18bc, 31
STOVER
30
STRADER
18c
STRAHAN
43
STRAIGN
17
STRAIN
11, 18b, 21, 67
STRANCE
47
STRATTON
66
STRAUB
18a
STRAWBRIDGE
18c
STRAWICK
4, 5, 17, 21, 35
STREAMER
49, 52, 66
STREATOR
4
STREETER
13, 57
STRICKLAND
3, 45
STRIEBY
17
STRINGER
3
STROHECKER
27
STROUP
29, 48
STRUTHERS
63
STUART
18b
STUBBS
17, 46
STUBNER
48
STUDEBAKER
4, 6, 17, 18b, 58, 64
STUEBGEN
36, 39
STUMPF
18b
STURDEVANT
18c, 61
STURGEON
10, 18b, 54
SUBER
18a
SULLINGER
4, 67
SULLIVAN
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 41, 52, 53, 54, 60, 65
SUMMA
36
SUMMER
27
SUMMERVILLE
18a
SUMNEY
4, 17, 18a, 22, 41
SUNDERLAND
8
SUNS
4
SUPPLE
30, 56
SUPPLIE
48
SUTHERLAND
46
SUTLIFF
58, 59
SUTTON
2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 43, 44, 49, 50, 63, 66, 68
SWAIN
10, 18bc, 26, 27, 28
SWAN
22
SWANN
31
SWARTZ
18c, 27
SWARTZLANDER
23
SWARZIE
22
SWEARINGEN
60
SWEENEY
4, 9, 21, 35, 42, 43
SWEENY
21
SWEET
36
SWEIDERING
18a
SWEITZER
18a
SWICK
57
SWIFT
16, 29
SWINGLE
54, 55
SWISHER
18b
SWITZER
18c
SYKES
5, 18ab
SYLLA
29, 36
SYLVIA
5
SYLVIES
18b
SYLVUS
44
SYMMINGTON
29
SYPHER
21, 23

T.

TABER
47
TACK
19
TADDER
49

TAFT
64
TAGGART
18b, 60, 61
TAGGERT
4, 16, 58
TAHANEY
42, 64
TAIT
63
TALBOTT
17
TALMO
43
TAMCHINA
41
TANACHARISON
2
TANNEHILL
4, 6, 9, 17, 22, 39
TASUCAMIN
2
TARBELL
47
TARBOX
9
TAYLOR
4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 23, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 58, 59
TEATS
18a, 55
TEBAY
9, 15, 18ac, 19, 27, 56, 67
TEEPLES
10
TEETS
27, 47
TEMPLE
18c, 29, 34, 48
TEMPLETON
15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 45, 46
TERMEANS
17
TERRELL
19
TESKE
43, 46
TETBAULT
4
THEISS
27
THIELEMAN
19, 29
THOMA
48
THOMAS
4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 18ab, 25, 30, 32, 35, 38, 39, 43, 45, 47, 48, 51, 54, 63, 69
THOMPSON
2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18abc, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 32, 33, 37, 40, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 59, 60, 64, 65, 66,
THOMPSON continued
67, 68, 69
THORN
3, 4, 12, 16, 18ab, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 30, 41, 43, 44, 48, 50, 51, 65, 66
THORNBURG
18ab
THORNTON
43
THUMM
44
TIBBALS
23
TIBBES
18c
TIBBET
29
TIBBETT
53
TIBBLES
18ab, 22, 39, 40
TICE
55
TIERNEY
46
TIETER
36
TIFFANY
45
TILGHMAN
10
TILLINGHAST
34, 46
TILTON
11, 23, 29
TIMBLIN
4, 7, 10, 17, 18abc, 19, 23, 45, 49, 50, 51
TIMMENY
10
TIMMONY
18c
TINDLE
17
TINKER
51, 61, 65
TINSMAN
28
TINSTMAN
13, 18c, 23, 29, 34
TITLEY
43
TITUS
47
TITZEL
11, 22
TITZELL
27
TOBIN
64
TOCH
19
TODD
4, 18b, 38, 39
TOLLEY
36, 39
TOLLY
18a
TOM
TOM continued
4
TOMAI
18c
TOMAY
18a
TONKS
23
TORBETT
22
TORONSKI
46
TORREY
67, 69
TOTTEN
46
TOWER
4
TOWLER
11, 43
TOWNLEY
41
TOWNSEND
7, 49, 52
TOY
47
TRACY
18c
TRANGER
22
TRAUSHU
22
TRAVEN
47
TRAVIS
18a
TRAX
18c
TRAXLER
4, 67
TRESSLER
21
TREVITT
58
TRIMBLE
4, 18ac, 31, 33, 37
TRIMBUR
18c
TRINNELLS
28
TROUTMAN
8, 12, 15, 18bc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 43, 44, 49
TROY
5
TRUBY
4, 69
TRUESDALE
17
TRUMBULL
19
TRUSDALE
18a
TRUXALL
18ab
TUBBS
46
TUCKER
21
TUPPER
46

TURK
4, 7, 18bc, 19, 21, 29, 50, 59, 67
TURNBULL
4
TURNER
4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 15, 18b, 22, 23, 43, 46, 51, 66, 67, 68, 69
TURNEY
4
TUTTLE
18c
TWOHIL
68
TYLER
18b

U.

UBER
27, 61
UDO
4
UHL
55
ULLERY
18a
UMPSTEAD
9, 18b, 25, 28, 58
UMSLER
39
UPDEGRAFF
44
UPDEGRAFT
18c
UPPERMAN
38
UPTEGRAFT
58

V.

VANAMM
58
VANAUSDEL
19
VANBRAAM
2
VAN BOISE
32
VANCE
51, 66, 69
VANDEMARK
43
VANDERGRIFT
19, 23, 44, 49
VANDERLIN
4, 7, 10, 17, 19, 21, 67
VANDIVOORT
18a
VANDIVORT
31, 32
VANDLING
25
VANDYKE
4, 7, 18ab, 64, 67
VAN DYKE
34
VANHORN
VANHORN continued
23
VAN HORN
66
VAN HORNE
58
VAN HUSTON
4
VAN NORMAN
46
VANORSDAL
57
VANTINE
18b
VAN TRIES
51
VAN VAY
18c
VARLEY
18b
VARNUM
3, 4, 7, 17, 18a, 48, 52, 66
VAUGHN
58
VAWN
63
VENABLE
40
VENATE
24
VENNATTA
17
VENSEL
15, 43, 46
VERDICAN
30
VINCENT
4, 9, 60, 61, 63, 64
VINROE
21, 23
VOEGLE
29
VOGAN
6, 18ab, 58, 59, 65
VOGEL
21, 23, 41
VOGELEY
1, 19, 21, 22, 23, 36
VOGELSANG
43
VORIS
6
VOSLER
58

W.

WACHSMUTH
36
WADDLE
4, 6, 14, 17, 18c, 62, 64
WADE
18ab, 43
WADSWORTH
15, 60
WAGGONER
35, 39
WAGLEY
22
WAGNER
18bc, 19, 23, 25, 29, 43, 45
WAGONER
18b
WAHL
29, 30, 34
WAIT
22
WAKEHAM
33
WAKENIGHT
43
WALCOTT
46
WALDRON
19, 23, 25, 27, 29, 30, 32
WALKER
4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 43, 47, 51, 56, 57, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 68
WALKINSHAW
30, 32
WALL
41, 54
WALLACE
4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 14, 17, 18abc, 19, 22, 23, 27, 29, 31, 33, 34, 44, 47, 50, 52, 54, 56, 61
WALLET
39
WALLETT
9
WALLEY
18ab, 66, 68
WALLSMITH
18b
WALLY
9
WALSH
3, 4, 7, 10, 22, 40, 48, 62, 64
WALTBERGER
54
WALTBURGER
29
WALTER
4, 8, 9, 18c, 19, 21, 22, 23, 32, 35, 38
WALTERS
18abc, 30, 32, 36, 46
WALTON
18a
WANNAMAKER
43
WARD
4, 23, 32, 34, 45, 64
WARDLAW
9
WAREHAM
18c, 37
WARHUS
23
WARMCASTLE
4, 17, 18b, 22, 41, 61
WARNECK

WARNER
18c, 19, 43
WARNMACK
45
WARREN
19
WASHABAUGH
11, 65
WASHAOCAUTAUT
2
WASHINGTON
2, 5, 6, 12, 16, 17, 18b, 21, 40, 66
WASON
6
WASSON
4, 17, 18abc, 49, 51, 66
WATERMAN
29
WATERHOUSE
5
WATERS
12, 19, 22, 23, 29, 45, 48, 54, 55, 64, 68
WATHY
47
WATSON
4, 9, 16, 17, 18abc, 22, 37, 38, 49, 53, 57, 61
WATT
17, 38, 41, 67
WATTERS
13, 29
WATTERSON
11
WAUGH
49
WAVERLY
45
WAYLE
4
WAYNE
3, 5, 6, 17, 21, 42
WEAKLEY
17, 18b, 60, 61
WEAVER
6, 18b, 21, 30, 31, 38, 39, 67
WEBB
18b, 51, 56, 65
WEBBER
23, 27, 61
WEBER
18ab, 19, 23, 34, 36, 39, 54, 59
WEBSTER
11, 16
WECKBECKER
28
WEED
4
WEHR
55
WEEK
68
WEEKS
16, 46
WEIBLE
47
WEIDEL
59
WEIDHOS
39
WEIGAND
23
WEIGLE
18bc, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 53, 54, 57
WEIHE
61
WEIHL
15
WEILAND
41, 48
WEIR
9, 15, 17, 18c, 23, 29, 38, 46
WEISE
18b, 28, 29
WEISENSTEIN
18a
WEISENSTINE
18b
WEISER
11, 18c, 26, 27
WEISNER
21, 23
WEISS
36
WEISZ
27
WEITZEL
59
WEITZELL
53
WEIZE
25
WELCH
25
WELLER
18abc, 39
WELLS
61
WELSH
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18ac, 19, 21, 22, 25, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36, 55, 57, 62, 65, 67
WELTY
27
WENTZ
18c
WERNER
29
WERNERT
41
WERR
41
WERSH
47
WERTHEIMER
38
WESER
23
WESLEY
38, 54
WESSELL
18b
WESSON
46
WEST
18b, 23, 29, 31, 32, 33, 46, 47, 54
WESTERMAN
18c, 29, 33, 37, 39, 43
WESTERMANN
15, 19, 20, 23, 42, 43
WETZEL
36, 39, 57
WEYMAN
18a, 27
WHANN
19
WHEELER
18ab, 23, 28, 43
WHELAN
42
WHERRY
19
WHIPPLE
14, 22
WHITE
2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32, 33, 47, 49, 53, 54, 56, 57, 62, 63, 68
WHITEHEAD
4
WHITEHOUSE
18b
WHITENER
18b
WHITE THUNDER
2
WHITFORD
43, 46
WHITHING
57
WHITMIRE
4, 10, 17, 18abc, 48, 49
WHITNER
18a
WHITTEN
58, 61
WHITTENBARGER
17
WIBLE
10, 33, 34
WICHE
12, 36
WICK
8, 9, 16, 17, 18ab, 19, 21, 22, 23, 43, 48, 49, 50, 51, 59, 60, 61, 63, 66
WICKENSHAW
18c
WICKLINE
38
WIEHL
18a, 27
WIER
18ab
WIGFIELD
4, 6, 30, 33, 37
WIGTON
2, 4, 10, 18c, 50, 59,

WIGTON continued
62, 65
WIKE
30
WILBUR
42
WILCOX
47
WILD
27, 28
WILES
4, 11, 18ac, 42, 43, 44, 45, 49
WILEY
4, 18c, 61
WILHELM
18a, 29, 35, 39, 41
WILKERVITZ
39
WILKEWITZ
38
WILKINS
4, 6, 9, 10, 14, 21
WILKINSON
18c, 39, 40
WILL
21, 48
WILLAHAN
58
WILLARD
16, 43
WILLER
18b
WILLIAMS
7, 9, 10, 15, 17, 18ac, 19, 22, 23, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 39, 43, 46, 47, 50, 51, 52, 57, 61, 63, 67, 69
WILLIAMSON
5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18ac, 21, 23, 63
WILLIBY
10
WILLIS
6
WILLOUGHBY
34
WILLS
18c
WILLWALL
18b
WILMOT
9
WILSON
1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 38, 39, 43, 44, 45, 46, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 60, 61, 62, 67, 68
WILT
9, 19
WIMER
6, 18abc, 48, 56, 57, 58
WINDSOR
9
WINEBERG
WINEBERG continued
39
WING
23, 47
WINGERT
18ab
WINNEAL
18b
WINNER
18a, 30
WINTER
2, 11, 18c, 27, 28, 29, 55
WINTERS
4, 18a
WINTERSTEIN
22, 30
WIRT
4
WISE
10, 13, 18abc, 21, 26, 28, 29
WISEMAN
17, 21
WISENER
18b
WISKEMAN
39
WISTAR
21
WITHERUP
29, 66
WITTE
38, 48
WIXSON
18a
WOLCOTT
3, 46
WOLF
2, 14, 17, 18abc, 21, 22, 35, 41, 43, 48, 58
WOLFE
19
WOLFF
15, 41
WOLFORD
18bc, 42, 43, 44, 50, 60, 61, 65
WOLFGANG
41
WONDERLY
4, 41
WOOD
15, 18c, 22, 27, 34, 37, 45
WOODCOCK
4, 5, 6, 33
WOODFORD
22
WOODMAN
18b
WOODRUFF
34, 48, 53
WOODS
5, 18a, 23, 25, 27, 37, 49, 58, 68
WOODWARD
9, 18c, 19
WORDEN
46
WORK
WORK continued
57
WORTH
58
WRAY
66
WRIGHT
4, 9, 10, 17, 18abc, 22, 23, 25, 27, 31, 32, 33, 35, 49, 51, 52, 54, 57, 61
WULLER
23, 35
WURSTER
27
WUSTHOFF
6
WYETH
12
WYLIE
22, 57
WYTHE
43

Y.

YAEHNIG
38
YALE
18b
YARD
66
YATES
17, 19, 27, 31, 32
YEAGER
18b, 46
YEAGLE
19, 36
YEAKEL
37
YEATES
10
YETER
18c
YETTER
12, 19, 21, 22
YOCKEY
18b
YOUGH
46
YOUKERS
18b
YOUNG
4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18abc, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 38, 41, 42, 43, 45, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68
YOUNKINS
18b, 21, 23

Z.

ZEHNER
26, 27
ZEIG
18c
ZEMAN
29

ZERBER
10
ZIEGELMAYER
41
ZIEGLER
5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18abc, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 55, 57
ZILLIFRO
46, 49
ZIMMER
66,669
ZIMMERMAN
6, 9, 11, 15, 18bc, 19, 21, 22, 23
ZIMPER
23
ZINKHANN
23
ZIRCK
46
ZIRKEL
39
ZUVER
16, 23, 47
ZWANZIGER
10

GREENE COUNTY ROOM
GREENE COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY
P. O. BOX 520
XENIA, OHIO 45385